

**BANNING UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
161 W. WILLIAMS STREET
BANNING, CALIFORNIA**

**MINUTES OF THE 19th GENERAL MEETING OF
CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, MEASURE R**

November 15, 2011

Meeting held at:
District Administration Center

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:37 p.m. by President Richard Krick

2. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

Present: Richard Krick, Helen Amestoy, Martha Bederio, Jerry Heimann, and Tom Hunt

Staff Present: Dr. Christine Wallace, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, June Lindsey, District Facilities Consultant, Debbie Douglas, Director of Maintenance and Operations, and Gerri Parr, Accounting Technician

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Jerry Heimann, second by Tom Hunt, to approve Minutes of August 16, 2011. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Communications

Community Concerns

None

Committee Concerns

- Discussed use of remaining Measure L Bond funds for alternative energy projects. Debbie Douglas explained that the remaining funds are needed for the Hemmerling and Hoffer MPR's to repair ponding and drain problems. Funds are in reserve to solve leaks in the BHS gym.
- Martha Bederio asked what is outstanding with the construction projects. June explained the warranty work order system and then proceeded to list warranty issues in the 2-story classroom building: Floor sealant flaking off; alarm system problems; runoff and erosion of DG in landscaping; doors sticking; door alignment problems; loud sounds from door hardware. Also too much water on the floors during rainy days. Working on obtaining better walk-off mats.

Committee Concerns (continued)

- Richard Krick suggested hiring a professional inspector to do a final inspection for defects before the warranty period ends.
- Helen Amestoy asked about the track timing system. Dr. Wallace explained that the site purchased a state-of-the-art system that is better than the Accutrack system.
- Richard Krick asked about the PA system problems at the stadium. June said the system is the same as Taquitz High School in Hemet. The speakers need to be realigned on the poles which will be repaired under warranty. She is looking into adding a MP3 system. More staff training to be arranged.
- Mr. Krick asked about the planned TV monitoring system so students could view the solar panels output. This was Ken Miller's idea and no one else has pursued it. Committee and staff discussed how students have been vandalizing the classroom building. The TV system would be one more thing subject to vandalism. Discussion turned to the problems district is solving concerning the solar panels. The Commissioning Agent has made some recommendations such as replacement of some burned out panels. Mr. Krick asked Dr. Wallace if the district is saving electrical costs, and if so, how much? Dr. Wallace said there is a savings. Mr. Krick asked Dr. Wallace to submit a report to the committee at the next meeting that shows the solar panel production of electricity.
- Mr. Krick asked June to tell him about the elevator problems. She explained that a warranty work order was submitted, but staff was not told that the district must contact Otis Elevator directly for all repairs to the classroom elevator. Staff just learned of this today and Otis has been called.
- Mr. Krick went back to the monitoring system for the solar panels. He asked if a system could be installed so the output can be monitored by district staff on a daily basis via desk computer. June will research.
- Mr. Krick inquired about the drainage problems at Hoffer Elementary. Debbie said she is working on solving the problems.
- The committee members discussed at length a tree windbreak on the East side of the high school along the highway. June reported on the research she completed regarding the cost of planting trees. Committee members

suggested contacting service clubs to see if they would sponsor a student tree planting project. After much discussion, the committee decided that Italian Cypress would be the best tree for a windbreak.

- Committee members asked if the pool security cameras are functioning. June said they are functioning. District IT staff still working with Banning Police Dept. to monitor the cameras. It may come to the District having to monitor the cameras by district IT staff.
- June reported on the pool problems. The pump is defective and a new one has been ordered by the contractor. Rebar is protruding from the plaster. Grinding down of the rebar has caused rust spots. Contractor working on solutions to the rust spots. If his solutions do not work, he will be asked to drain the pool and redo the plaster. Staff hopes that this does not have to take place.

5. Information/ Discussion

5.1 Presentation of Measure R Project Information

Committee agreed that June covered these items during the Committee Concerns section of the agenda.

5.2 Presentation of Modernization Program Expenditure Information

Dr. Wallace presented the financial report. She explained the School Board met in study session and prioritized the remaining projects to be constructed in order to finish the athletic complex. Committee members questioned the cost of the new phone system. Dr. Wallace explained that the School Board approved the expenditure. Martha Bederio asked how much is being saved with the new phone system. Dr. Wallace will put together a phone bill report for the next meeting. Dr. Wallace explained that the district would like to sell series C bonds. This item has been on the Board agenda, but has been pulled until the time is right to sell bonds.

6. Action

6.1 Establish Future Meeting Date and Time

The Committee by consensus approved the next meeting time and date of 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 14, 2011. They also agreed to meet in the Facilities Office.

7. Future Agenda Items

None requested

8. Adjournment

Motion by Richard Krick and second by Tom Hunt to adjourn at 3:53 p.m. Motion passed 5-0.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Gerri Parr, Accounting Technician.