

MEASURE A - STRONG SCHOOLS BOND
CITIZEN'S OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
PALO ALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES FOR MEETING OF January 23, 2013

Opening

The Citizens' Oversight Committee held a meeting in the Jordan Middle School Library, 750 N. California Avenue, Palo Alto, California.

*All handouts can be viewed at the District office, Business Services 25 Churchill Avenue

Members present:

Mr. Walt Hays, Senior Citizen

Ms. Helene Leichter, Parent

Mr. James Cowie, Business Organization Member

Ms. Catharine Garber, Business Organization Member (Absent)

Ms. Arianne Teherani, Parent

Mr. Todd Collins, Taxpayer Organization

Mr. Bruce Whitson, Parent

Others present:

Mr. Tom Hodges, O'Connor Construction Management

Mr. Lori Alvarez, O'Connor Construction Management

District Staff Present:

Dr. Robert Golton, Bond Program Manager

Mr. Ron Smith, Facilities Project Manager

Ms. Betty Munoz, Administrative Assistant

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

Public Comment

There was no request for public comment.

Review of Agenda

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Hays moved to approve the minutes of September 12, 2012. Motion carried 6-0.

Introduction of New Member

Arianne Teherani was introduced as the new member to the Committee replacing Mary Marth.

Program Status Update

Gunn Gym: New gym, weight fitness center, dancer studio, and tennis courts. The second project will be the modernization of the existing gym to bid spring 2013. Occupancy date April 1, 2013 due to delay in structural steel fabrication and DSA review of the bleacher submittal.

Gunn Classroom Building: Math/English building will have 28 new classrooms, 2 stories. Completion date is August 1, 2013. World Languages building completion date is February 22, 2013. Removal of portables will be included in this project.

Paly Classroom Building: Math/History/Social Sciences building will have 27 new classrooms and two labs. Occupancy date is January 1.

Paly Media Arts: Two story building with nine classrooms, labs, media library, gallery, and resource center. Occupancy date is January 1, 2014.

Paly Athletic Stadium: New concessions, restrooms, storage building, stadium scoreboard, home/visitor bleachers, resurfacing of track and jump pits, barbeque and picnic area, and fencing and gated entry points. Occupancy date is March 31, 2013.

Jordan: New 6th grade classroom building with six new classrooms, new cafetorium, modernization of

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science wing with two full size labs, reconfiguration of old cafetorium into music and choral classrooms, reconfiguration of music building into art classrooms, seismic upgrades to existing buildings, and storm drain and paving improvements. Occupancy date is August 1, 2013.

JLS: New classroom building with ten new classrooms, modernization of science wing with two labs, reconfiguration of teachers resource room, additional storage and hot water to existing classrooms, new student courtyard, bike parking, cage and rally court, and landscape, storm drain and paving improvements throughout campus. Occupancy date is August 1, 2013.

Terman: New library, new drama building, reconfiguration of the old library into new administration office, reconfiguration of G wing to relocate computer lab, and reconfiguration of old administration offices into computer lab and two classrooms. Occupancy date is August 1, 2013.

Fairmeadow: New two story classroom building with eight classrooms, small addition and renovation of library wing, reconfiguration of upper classroom wing into kindergarten classrooms, new playfield and kindergarten play area, and modernization of Jackson building. Occupancy date is August 1, 2013.

Chair/Vice Chair Elections

Motion for Collins to remain Chair of Committee. Motion carried 6-0. Hays moved for on Helene Leichter as Vice Chair. Motion carried 6-0.

PAUSD Enrollment Growth Planning

Cubberley is projected to be opened as a third high school in the future. The Board held \$55 million to construct a new elementary school, possibly Garland. Another potential site is Greendell. It is a 7.6 acre site including the newly purchased 525 San Antonio Rd. property. For a middle school, they are looking at Bowman which is adjacent to Terman. There is a potential of buying that property. Bowman is interested in selling if they could find another location with three acres.

Issue of Series C Bonds

The District only has \$21 million left in the current bond. They are spending about \$5 million a month. They will run out on this current bond in April. They are going to the Board to issue a new series of \$70 million. There are two kinds of bonds, current interest bonds or bonds that have interest deferred-capital appreciation bonds. The District will issue entirely current interest bonds for this next series. They anticipate closing March 28.

Site Visit

July construction tour of sites.

April 17, 2013 Agenda

The next COC meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2013. The agenda will be worked through email.

Next Meeting and Future Meetings Schedule

April 17, 2013

July 17, 2013

October 15, 2013

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.