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Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC) of the Cajon Valley Union School District

<u>Minutes</u> Adopted

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Citizens' Oversight Committee was called to order by Deanna Markle on August 12, 2020 at 1:05 p.m. via Zoom.

Members Present: Steve Devan, Susan Holtz, Robert (Bob) Kiesling, Deanne Markle and Sheri Runyen. Victor Garcia attempted, but was unable to login. Apologies: Peter Lupo.

District Staff: Charles Allen, Esmeralda Ayon, James Beard, Sharon Dobbins, Louise Gibson, Jon Guertin, Vickie Hayman, and Lisa Krueger,

WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

Sharon and Deanne welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance. Sharon apologized for the need to reschedule the COC meeting due to COVID.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the January 8, 2020 meeting were approved on a motion made by Steve Devan, seconded by Deanne Markle, and carried 5-0.

BUDGET UPDATES

Sharon reviewed the following budget information:

<u>Prop C Budget Status Report</u>: This report showed the total budget for each project, as well as the committed and expended amounts, and budget remaining. Most projects are closed with any remaining monies moved to contingency. However, prior to finalizing the fiscal year-end financial reports, the District is waiting to ensure that all June invoices are received and accrued.

<u>Prop EE Bond Fund:</u> These reports showed the Bond authorization (issued and remaining), as well as revenues and expenditures. As of the 6/30/20 report date, there was an uncommitted fund balance of \$6,132.764, with a remaining authorization of \$7,000,000.

Jon shared that the I.T. Department is presently working on their annual replacement of Chromebooks. Jon also mentioned that the District has received COVID funding, which can be used toward Chromebooks for distance learning. This will help to stretch the Prop EE funding.

PROJECT UPDATES

Sharon reviewed the project updates, which she previously sent via email to all members. Included were the final phase of Emerald Middle School's new building project; the new twostory, nine-classroom building at Johnson Elementary School, which is near completion and expected to be occupied in mid-August of 2020; the bidding process which has begun for the new classroom buildings at Naranca Elementary School; the exterior LED lighting which is currently being installed throughout the District; and the sidewalk (concrete) upgrades at Greenfield Middle School.

Sharon also shared that a small portion of the contingency funds will be used for architectural programming for the high school component of Bostonia Global Charter School, the District's new K-12 charter school, which will open in 2021/2022.

Bob asked about the District's authority to approve a charter high school, since the District is currently TK-8th grade. Louise responded that, the District was able to authorize the charter school because it includes grades TK-12, incorporating Bostonia Language Academy and the new high school.

2020 BOND MEASURE (PROP "T")

Sharon informed the Committee that, at a special meeting on July 16, 2020. the Governing Board adopted a resolution to place a \$125 million bond measure on the November 3, 2020 ballot. This measure would extend, but not increase the current tax rate and allow the District to continue its capital improvement program.

DISCUSSION/OTHER

Sharon shared that the District has applied to the State for a waiver to allow the District to open its schools. The intent is to offer parents the option of: (1) a hybrid program, which combines on-campus instruction and distance learning, or (2) 100% distance learning.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:51 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next COC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 9, 2020 at 9:00 a.m via Zoom. An evite with the Zoom link will follow.