CITIZENS’ OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
BOND MEASURE I
ALLAN HANCOCK JOINT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Minutes of the Tuesday, August 5, 2014 Meeting
Allan Hancock College, Santa Maria Campus

Committee Members Present:
John Everett, Support Organization
Mario Juarez, Business Organization
Lisa Nissinen-Harlow, Community at-large
Shirleen Sladek, Senior Organization
Kenneth Wolf, Community at-large

Committee Members Absent:
Rick Velasco, Taxpayers Association

Staff Members Present:
Rebecca Alarcio, Director Public Affairs and Publications
Felix Hernandez, Jr. Vice President Facilities & Operations
Melinda Martinez, Executive Secretary to the Supt./President
Elizabeth Miller, Assoc. Supt./President, VP Admin Services
Carol Moore, Director Information Technology Services
Nohemy Ornelas, Assoc. Supt./Vice President Student Services

Guests:
None

1. Call to Order
Chair Mario Juarez called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

2. Public Comment
No public comment was made.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the May 6, 2014 Meeting
On a motion by Lisa Nissinen-Harlow, seconded by Shirleen Sladek, the Citizens’ Oversight Committee unanimously approved the minutes from May 6, 2014 as submitted. (Ayes: Juarez, Nissinen-Harlow, Sladek, Wolf; Noes: None; Absent: Everett, Velasco)

4. Budget Presentation
   a. Financial Report through the period ending June 30, 2014
Dr. Elizabeth Miller offered to respond to any questions about the quarterly financial report ending June 30, 2014. She reported that series A-D of $146M in bonds have been issued, leaving $34M still to be issued over approximately the next four years.

Dr. Miller reviewed the Cash Flow Report and noted there is one outstanding project left which is the Fine Arts project.

She explained that given today’s market, there is an opportunity to do an advance refunding on the bonds which will lower the interest rate and save money for the taxpayers, similar to refinancing a home. The goal is to save the taxpayers over the life of the bond between $2.5M-$3M.

Dr. Miller explained the process which entails the same steps as though they were selling bonds including credit rating presentations, and anticipate the bonds will be sold the last week of September.

The Board of Trustees will take action to approve this recommendation at the August board meeting.

Public Safety Grand Opening
Ms. Rebecca Alarcio shared an overview of the Grand Opening and Open House events held for the Public Safety Training Complex in Lompoc. The COC members viewed a brief video highlighting the Public Safety Training Complex and its amenities.

John Everett arrived at 4:15 p.m.
Nohemy Ornelas arrived at 4:19 p.m.
5. Summary Reports for the period April 1-June 30, 2014
   a. Technology Program
      Ms. Carol Moore presented a brief update on technology projects for the last quarter ending June 30. The Technology Advisory Committee (TAC) recommended 62 projects for $347K. Ms. Moore shared photos of the new classroom computers in Health Sciences. She reported there was no new activity on the VOIP Telephone Project this quarter. The Technology General Projects fund supported ONESolution training material and Banner modifications.

   b. Facilities: Fine Arts Complex
      Mr. Felix Hernandez gave a presentation on the Fine Arts Complex. He shared photos of the existing Fine Arts buildings and explained that Fine Arts programs are currently spread out all over campus in buildings D, E, F, O, and also in the CBC (located behind Costco).

      Mr. Hernandez reviewed the diagrams of the proposed new Fine Arts Complex of 88,000 sq. ft. He shared that a new component of the Fine Arts Complex is a concert hall which has been added to the plans. This addition will allow recitals as part of the instructional process and open doors for venue use.

      Mr. Hernandez explained that a proposal has been submitted to compete for state funding of the project. Those awarded state funding generally receive 50% and the other portion would come from bond dollars. There are also some dollars from the Patricia Boyd Estate that can pay for some physical assets of the project.

      Mr. Hernandez noted the Board of Trustees has not made any reallocation of bond dollars at this time. If awarded state funding, that would allow bond dollars to be reallocated to other projects on campus.

      Mr. Hernandez responded to questions from the committee members.

6. Member Recruitment
   Ms. Rebecca Alarcio reminded members that member terms are expiring in November. She urged members to assist with recruitment for new members as their replacements. Public Affairs will begin a recruitment campaign with an online application and public notification of COC vacancies. Ms. Alarcio noted that the first meeting for new members will be February 2015.

7. Committee Members’ Comments
   None

8. Adjourn
   On a motion by John Everett, seconded by Shirleen Sladek, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Mario Juarez at 4:51 p.m.
   (Ayes: Everett, Juarez, Nissinen-Harlow, Sladek, Wolf; Noes: None; Absent: Velasco)