

# <u>MINUTES</u>

### ORANGE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Measure S
Citizens' Oversight Committee

District Office – 5:00 p.m. CONFERENCE ROOM B November 3, 2022 Meeting No. 22

### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Diana Fascenelli called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

### 2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## 3.0 ESTABLISHED QUORUM

Present: Diana Fascenelli, Dan Slater, Patricia Buttress, Nicol Jones, Bill Utter, Bill Campbell

Not Present: Mrunal Shah

Staff Present: Dr. Gunn Marie Hansen, Dave Rivera, Scott Harvey, and Rory Lorenzo

Staff Not Present: Meghna Bulsara

#### 4.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

#### 5.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action

Member Ms. Patricia Buttress motioned to accept the agenda for November 3, 2022. Second by Member Mr. Bill Campbell.

Motion Passed: 6-0-1

#### 6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action

Mr. Campbell requested to have the winner of the Bond Sale bid, JP Morgan, and the rate of 4.133% added to the minutes. Ms. Jones also requested to edit the statement regarding the fume hoods and dishwashers to reflect that those two items "were inoperable". Member Mr. Bill Campbell motioned to accept the minutes for July 27, 2022 with the **two amendments**. Second by Member Ms. Patricia Buttress.

### Motion Passed: 6-0-1

Note: Revised Minutes added to this transcript and to July 27, 2022 minutes.

## 7.0 MEASURE S UPDATE PRESENTATION-Phase II and Bid Award Information I

Information

Mr. Harvey presented a Phase II summary of the status of each school.

Mr. Harvey reported that Canyon High School's (CHS) kitchen was built and opened to the students to use.

Mr. Harvey also reported that Villa Park High School's (VPHS) Phase II bid was awarded to Pinner

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Construction, Co., Inc. and the abatement as well as the demo of Building 500 would begin this month, November 2022.

Mr. Campbell inquired how many bidders the project had. Mr. Harvey said two, Pinner Construction and Swinerton Builders. Mr. Rivera further explained there were three, but one was disqualified, and their bid was unable to be moved forward.

Mr. Harvey continued to update that Orange High School (OHS) had three bidders for their Phase II projects and that bid review was still in the works. Mr. Utter asked if this was replacing the old Administration area and what this meant for the student's bus loading area. Mr. Harvey explained through Phase I the District relocated the student bus loading area to South side of campus near the Walnut Street entrance. Mr. Harvey added that yes, the old Administration building will be replaced in Phase II of Measure S.

Mr. Harvey provided information announcing that the El Modena High School's (EMHS) ad for the bid will be out today, November 3, 2022. Mr. Harvey stated that the project was 20-30% over and some changes needed to be made to stay within budget. Ms. Buttress inquired if the schools would all be closed campuses and if solar would be in all of them. Mr. Harvey said that the District is moving towards adding single-point-of-entry to al campuses and that although not all campuses have solar, the high schools and many other sites do.

Mr. Slater inquired if portable classrooms would be needed at sites at the conclusion of the bond projects. Mr. Harvey stated almost all would be removed. Mr. Rivera and Dr. Hansen further explained that due to the current increase in class sizes, as a result of a higher number of students than previously projected, the need for portable classrooms would continue in order to allow flexibility at our schools. Ms. Fascenelli stated that during the Measure S campaigning and earlier meetings, OUSD parents wanted all portables removed. She further inquired why there was no cap in the schools with higher student enrollment to avoid the portables. Mr. Rivera stated that the enrollment decline was less than projected. \*Ms. Jones stated the parents and students agreed to more portables so that they could use the quad areas. \* Ms. Jones also added that the Board agreed to another plan that removed more portables. Mr. Slater asked if we discouraged open enrollment would this continue to be an issue. Dr. Hansen stated that Open Enrollment has always been an option for our students and that some classes like the Spyder Labs and CTE courses take up more space and therefore it was not so much about physical student bodies increasing rather than course needs. Ms. Fascenelli asked if we could provide an update on how many portables we have in the district.

Ms. Buttress asked if the glass windows shown in Mr. Harvey's presentation were planned to be bullet proof as she recently attended an active shooter presentation discussing glass windows. Mr. Harvey stated that they were not but will be frosted. Mr. Harvey added that due certain Risk Management regulations, doors need to have small windows for sexual abuse preventive measures per insurance requirements.

#### 8.0 BOND TAX RATE UPDATE

Information

Mr. Rivera provided a packet of information and discussed the June 2022 sale of bonds for Series B. Mr. Rivera emphasized that OUSD expedited the bonds by 3 months which resulted in an increase of response. Mr. Rivera stated there were 11 potential bidders and 9 bids submitted.

Mr. Campbell inquired about the costs per school and if funds were available. Mr. Harvey stated that due to delays caused by the pandemic and additional costs not anticipated some funds were not flexible. Dr. Hansen also added that if funds were to be become available alternates to projects could be an option as commodities are mildly lower priced now. Mr. Lorenzo supported this by stating that the costs of steel and glass have gone down.

Ms. Jones asked if the projects were \$10 million under budget in Phase I. Mr. Rivera stated that yes, only on the Phase I project's total.

Amended on January 25, 2023

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Mr. Slater asked if pandemic supply chain issues caused the delays during Phase I construction. Mr. Harvey and Dr. Hansen both stated that the delays were less to do with supply chain issues and more attributed to building contractor delay. Mr. Slater asked if the contractors in question would be allowed to bid in the upcoming projects to which Mr. Harvey stated they were not eligible due to the current litigation process.

### 9.0 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Portable classroom count throughout OUSD

Mr. Harvey requested an update regarding an item previously discussed. Mr. Harvey stated we could bring Mr. Casnocha for further guidance on the bylaws regarding the term limits. Mr. Rivera further emphasized that Mr. Casnocha's fee schedules were already set, and no additional costs would apply for him to attend a physical meeting. Mr. Campbell stated the changes would still need to be Board approved.

Mr. Harvey also discussed future meeting dates for the 2023-2024 calendar year. The Committee agreed to have the next meeting on Wednesday January 25, 2023. Future Committee dates would be approved at that time.

Term Limits

Calendar Approval for 2023

## 10.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Fascenelli at 6:10 p.m.