

Citizens Oversight Committee Bond Measure L June 19, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: William Beecher, Shira Coleman, Silvia Diaz, Leonard English, E. Paul Henderson, Dan Johnson, Doug Keegan, Regina Kelbert, Juana Ponce

Members Absent: Daniel Dodge Jr., Rene Paz, Brian Peoples

Staff Present: Dennis Dunston, Eugene Ely, Tim Landeck, Paul Anderson, Kathy Fuentes

Staff Absent: Brett McFadden, Richard Mullikin

Visitors: Board Member Jeff Ursino

The Committee began its second meeting in the Board Room with a brief bond update followed by a tour of Watsonville High, E.A. Hall Middle and Mintie White Elementary schools.

Chair Dan Johnson opened the meeting and asked for approval of the April 17 minutes which were then approved. He explained that the committee will meet quarterly but added that recent by-laws development included a provision to meet monthly. By-laws are slated to go to the board in August or September. The committee and Board Member Jeff Ursino asked for the by-laws to be emailed to them prior to board review and approval. Regina Kelbert asked to have bond updates posted on the district website. Dennis Dunston will follow-up.

Dennis reported that the bond has been funded for two months now. Work is beginning on playground structures and door lock changeouts making them lockable from the inside. There

are also plans for security fencing. Tim Landeck explained that Bradley School will be getting an update to active technology, cabling and wiring this summer as well.

A tour of Watsonville High School included the science labs, music room and cafeteria. Science labs are in need of new cabinetry, floor replacement, heating and cooling upgrades, counter replacements, and intelligent classroom upgrades. The music room needs heating and cooling replacement and ceiling replacement. The cafeteria needs an overall general upgrade. Tim explained that an Instructional Technology Advisory Committee (ITAC) will be formed in the fall and include instructors and others to help develop standards for teaching equipment.

The E.A. Hall School tour included a classroom and faculty room visit which displayed outdated heater ducts and exposed vents to be replaced. Other projects will focus on floor and ceiling replacements, cafeteria and bathroom upgrades. Architectural upgrades including the theater will take place as well. Tim said that E. A. Hall is an erate qualified school which will help with funding. The group moved outside to the back of the school and Dennis reviewed the stages of relocatable replacement and field upgrades to take place.

Mintie White Elementary was the last stop on the tour. Dennis explained that the school was built in the 1930s and the building will undergo major modernization upgrading to all building systems and materials. Site lighting, relocatable replacement and an upgrade to Intelligent Classrooms will be part of the modernization.

The committee returned to the district office and the meeting was adjuourned at 8:00 pm.