

Solano Community College District

JOINT MEASURE G AND Q CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (CBOC)

SPECIAL MEETING

Fairfield Campus Building 600 – Denis Honeychurch Board Room Solano Community College, 4000 Suisun Valley Road, Fairfield, CA 94534 Monday, March 16, 2015 5:30p.m. – 6:30p.m.

ADOPTED MINUTES

Members Present

Mr. Melvin Jordan, Chairman CBOC

Mr. Robert Charboneau

Mr. David Fleming

Mr. Lyman Dennis

Mr. Hermie Sunga

Mr. Angelo Cellini

Members Absent

Mr. Neil Ferguson

VACANT, Student Association, SCCD

Members of the Public

Ms. Janet Roberts

Others Present

Ms. Ines Zildzic, Program Manager, Kitchell CEM

Ms. Renee Pegues, Business Operations Coordinator, Bond

Chairman Jordan called the meeting to order at 5:33pm and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

- 1. Approval of Agenda March 16, 2015 *Approved*A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Dennis and seconded by Mr. Cellini. The motion was approved unanimously.
- **2.** Approval of the December 1, 2014 Meeting Minutes: *Approved as amended*.

Mr. Charboneau asked that the minutes included his request that Mr. Sata provide copies of all the documents that were available in the Superintendent-President's Office prior to the election in

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November 2012. This notation will be added to the minutes for December 1, 2014 and posted as approved.

A motion to approve the minutes with the fore mentioned addition was made by Mr. Dennis and seconded by Mr. Sunga. The motion was approved with the following vote: 5 - Yes and 1 - Abstention.

3. Comments from the Public

No public comments were made at this time.

4. Review Measure G&Q CBOC Annual Report for FY 2013/2014

Ms. Zildzic highlighted the revised CBOC Annual Report. This report covers Bond activity through June of 2014. Ms. Zildzic reviewed with the Committee that the revised report reflects comments and changes received from CBOC members. In summary, the report provides the following:

- a. Program summary of current activities
- b. Campus Summaries for Fairfield, Vacaville and Vallejo campuses.
- c. Financial summary section that provides a summary of expenditures to date.
- d. Program budget summary per Board approved Bond Spending Plan.
- e. Projects report section with a detailed project progress update for active projects. This section includes a dashboard column next to schedule and budget.

Mr. Charboneau read his comments and changes he submitted on March 9, and were not included in the report:

"Date of report—nothing in evidence that says that there is a drop-dead date for filing the report. Get it right and then file. We may need more time.

The report s/b up to the date filed. Not just for the prior fiscal year. It is an annual report and should include everything important not just what happened in a period that ended 9 months ago.

The report must be the product of the CBOC and not one produced by Kitchell. The proposed report (submitted at the last unofficial meeting) is nothing but an expensive presentation of Kitchell by Kitchell including the letter from the chair that he did not write praising a job well done.

My changes:

Most important the letter from the chair needs to be edited and the following information added:

Measure Q was presented to the voters pursuant to Proposition 39 passed in November 2000 as an amendment to Proposition 13. Prior to this amendment passage of such a Bond Measure required a two-thirds voter approval. Prop 39 allowed a Bond Measure to pass with a 55% approval but contained strict transparency requirements including a Facility

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Master Plan with a specific list of projects to be considered by the voter. This list was made mandatory so as to provide the necessary tool for the members of the Prop 39 required appointment of a Citizens Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) to examine the plans and construction of a voter approved list.

Measure Q did not provide the required list in the ballot measure in November 2012 and in fact deliberately did not provide that information so as not to be tied into a list but rather left to the Board's discretion. Despite this failure the ballot measure stated that a project list totaling \$348,000,000 was available to the public in the office of the president of the college on Election Day and prior. The CBOC has repeatedly requested that list it has never been produced in the two and one half years since Election Day despite promises to the contrary. The list did not exist.

Measure Q however passed, achieving the required 55% and thus, despite the lack of a voter approved project list the CBOC is charged with providing oversight, a task made more difficult without the mandated project list.

The functions of the CBOC must be reviewed and changes made to how we operate including removal of artificial restrictions on what we do and how often we do them. Prop 39 does not restrict how often we meet but the Board has limited us to quarterly meetings which represents approximately 6-8 hours annually to provide oversight on \$348,000,000 in taxpayer dollars. That makes it impossible to do a proper job.

We look forward to providing the public with the necessary changes that will be made so as to provide some oversight. We will report those procedural changes in subsequent reports."

Comment: Mr. Sunga – "I feel I have been listened to and had my input heard."

Comment: Mr. Cellini – "Anyone can go to any board meeting and have their say."

Comment: Mr. Dennis – "To summarize where I see things, we are an oversight. We don't go into great detail. One of the things we do is give some support to the community college. Kitchell has been very responsive. I appreciate the work they have done. The job is done well and frugally. I think it is. I am reasonably satisfied."

Comment: Mr. Jordan – "I am satisfied with the report."

Comment: Mr. Charboneau – "I think the \$348,000 project list should be removed since we have not. It is not our purpose to show how much work has been done."

Moved by Mr. Dennis and Seconded by Mr. Cellini to approve the CBOC Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 with the following change:

Page 3, Paragraph 3: "With the current student population of over **11,000** almost evenly divided...."

Motion approved with the following roll call vote:

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Yes: Mr. Sunga; Mr. Cellini; Mr. Dennis; Mr. Jordan; Mr. Fleming concurred with the added statement that he was not a seated member for the committee at the time of the report.

No: Mr. Charboneau

Comment – From the public, it has been published online as a draft. If the CBOC does not approve it will be pulled from the agenda for Wednesday's meeting.

5. Upcoming Meetings

Not the first Monday

- **6.** Agenda Items for the May Meeting
- **7.** Adjournment Moved by Mr. Charboneau and seconded by Mr. Sunga to adjourn the meeting.

Attachments:

1. Measure G & Q CBOC Annual Report for FY 2013/2014