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Measure H2008 Citizens' Parcel Tax Oversight Committee

Monday, November 14, 2011

Minutes

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kerns at 6:03 p.m.

Roll call

Members present:

- Andy Barrad, parent representative
- Karen Anderson, parent and PTA committee representative
- Karen Kerns, parent and PTA representative
- Loren Mason, parent representative
- Margie Yahyavi, Santa Barbara Education Foundation representative
- Patsy Hicks, community member representative

Members absent:

- Carola Nicholson, tax preparer representative
- Doug Martin, business representative
- Jean Reiche, senior citizens group representative

Santa Barbara Unified School District (SBUSD) staff present:

- Alma Flores, administrative assistant
- David Cash, superintendent
- Julie Nemes, internal auditor (IA)
- Meg Jette, interim asst. supt. of business
- Robin Sawaske, associate supt. of education

Flag salute

The flag salute was led by Chair Kerns.

Public comments

Committee Member (CM) Anderson noted that the Measure H membership described in the presentation from Kronick Moskovitz Tiedemann & Girard (7 members with two-year terms) is not consistent with the current Measure H membership (five members with two-year terms and 4 members with one-year terms).

2. Review and Approval of October 3, 2011 Measure H Minutes

CM Mason requested that his statement, on page two under "Site Reports" be corrected. His statement currently reads "CM Mason indicated he did not feel like Measure H funds were being expended" Correct statement should read "CM Mason indicated he did not have a warm feeling of how Measure H funds were being expended."

Motion made by CM Hicks to approve the October 3, 2011 minutes as corrected. Seconded by committee member (CM) Yahyavi.

Motion passed.

Vote:6-3 / Ayes: 6 (Anderson, Kerns, Mason, Yahyavi, Barrad and Hicks) / Absent: 3 (Nicholson, Martin, and Reiche)

3. Review and Recommendation for School Board Approval of Secondary District and Site Plans for 2011-2012

Associate Supt. of Education Robin Sawaske presented the item. Santa Barbara Charter Middle School and secondary site allocations for 2011-2012, were reviewed by Ms. Sawaske.

Mr. Tod Ryckman, district technology coordinator, made a presentation to the committee on technology in the classroom. He used his Advanced Via Individual Determination classroom as an example of the future classroom.

4. Site Visit Reports

CM Hicks reported on her Santa Barbara High School (SBHS) and Santa Barbara Junior High School site visits. CM Mason reported on his visit to San Marcos High School (SMHS). Chair Kerns requested CMs Mason and Hicks provide a written report of their site visits for posting on the internet.

5. Update on Ninth Grade Class Size Reduction (CSR)

Interim Assistant Superintendent of Business Meg Jetté provided responses from Dos Pueblos and SB high Schools regarding ninth-grade CSR issues that came up in the October Measure H meeting. CM Mason reported SMHS was compliant in ninth-grade CSR. He indicated he was not happy with how school sites combined upper and lower level students to avoid having to follow ninth-grade CSR requirements.

Chair Kerns requested a report from district staff on ninth-grade CSR for the next Measure H agenda.

6. Discussion Regarding Committee Presentation to Board of Trustees

Chair Kerns suggested the committee work with district staff to prepare the board presentation in January, 2012. Chair Kerns will contact the Measure I committee chair to inquire about presenting to the board jointly. Chair Kerns asked that members email Alma their suggestions for the board presentation, based on what was distributed. IA Nemes will prepare a draft board presentation for the committee's review.

7. Meeting Schedule/Dates/Times

Future meetings:

- December 12, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.

8. Future Meeting Topics

Topics for future meeting:

- Review of board presentation
- CSR report from district staff
- Written site visit reports
- Future of Measure H parcel tax

CM Mason tendered his letter of resignation to Chair Kerns, who in turn provided it to Alma Flores. No action was taken.

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by CM Yahyavi. Seconded by CM Anderson. Motion passed. Vote: 6-3 / Ayes: Ayes: 6 (Anderson, Kerns, Mason, Yahyavi, Barrad and Hicks) / Absent: 3 (Nicholson, Martin, and Reiche)

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Alma Flores.

Minutes approved 12-12-11.