

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District

FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

333 S. Beaudry Avenue, Board Room

10:00 a.m., Thursday, February 5, 2009

Board Members Present:

Yolie Flores Aguilar, Chairperson

Marguerite Poindexter LaMotte

Richard Vladovic

Julie Korenstein

Marlene Canter

District Staff Present:

Guy Mehula, Chief Facilities Executive

Hector Madrigal, Director, Pupil Services

External Representatives Present:

David Crippens, Bond Oversight Committee

Robert Kladifko, Associated Administrators of Los Angeles

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The meeting convened at 10:15 a.m.

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OPENING REMARKS

Chairperson Flores Aguilar announced that the District received the Liberty Mutual Silver Safety Award for the second consecutive year. The award recognized the District's continued commitment to promoting and maintaining a safe construction workplace.

PROJECT APPROVAL – CENTRAL REGION EARLY EDUCATION CENTER NO. 2 ADDITION

Mr. Tom Calhoun, Regional Development Director, presented an overview of the Central Region Early Education Center No. 2 addition. He indicated that the project would provide 6 classrooms and educational facilities for 144 pre-kindergarten students. Mr. Calhoun stated that \$3,320,500 of local school construction bond funds would be provided to fund this project. Mr. Calhoun concluded by stating that the project would be available for occupancy in the third quarter of 2010.

SPEAKERS:

The following speakers expressed their views on this item:

Ms. Esther Rosas, Garfield High School Community

Ms. Araceli Sandoval, Preschool California

Ms. Maria Leon, Parent

Ms. Maria Dominguez, Parent

Ms. Jennifer Ramirez, Parent

Ms. Tana Echeverria, Parent

## BOND PROGRAM FUNDING STATUS

Mr. Guy Mehula provided a status report of the Bond Program funding. He stated that \$950 million worth of bonds were sold, which indicated that there is a strong demand for LAUSD bonds. Mr. Mehula provided a breakdown of Proposition BB and Measure K, R and Y Funds, which total an overall capital program capacity of \$20.1 billion. Mr. Mehula indicated that Assembly Bill 1014 and Senate Bill 658 enable up to \$290 million in additional State matching funds, however due to the State deficit, there is currently a hold on these funds.

## MEASURE Q PRIORITIZATION UPDATE

Mr. Mark Hovatter, Director of Bond Planning, provided an overview of the Measure Q priorities and funding. He stated that there was \$2.68 billion for repair and safety, \$1.925 billion to modernize schools, \$1.855 billion for the portfolio of small pre-kindergarten through adult schools, and \$500 million for green technology projects. Mr. Hovatter indicated that Measure Q would prioritize on instructional impacts, safety, system failures, leverage non-district funding and relieving the general fund.

Mr. Hovatter concluded his presentation by stating the next steps for the Measure Q program were to (1) finalize the 2009-2012 Prioritization Plan, (2) adjust the Facilities Organization, (3) conduct industry forums, (4) issue Requests for Qualifications, (5) initiate master planning and development, (6) develop the Strategic Execution Plans, and (7) sell bonds.

## CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) AND PROJECT APPROVAL – CENTRAL REGION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NO. 22

Mr. Calhoun discussed the Central Region Elementary School project. The project would provide 650 seats and 26 classrooms. Mr. Calhoun indicated that the project would relieve overcrowding at Loyola Village and Playa Del Rey Elementary Schools. Ms. Randi Cooper, CEQA Manager stated that the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for this project determined that there were no significant impacts.

Ms. LaMotte stated that she was not in favor of this project.

*Chairperson Flores Aguilar requested that Mr. Calhoun provide specifics on how and why this project was determined a priority project.*

## SPEAKERS

The following speakers expressed their views on item:

- Ms. Mary Taylor, Parent
- Ms. Diana Duque Miranda, Parent
- Ms. Linda Weber, Parent
- Ms. Winnie Licht, Parent

## CEQA – SOUTH REGION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NO. 9

Mr. Rod Hamilton, Regional Development Manager, provided an overview of the South Region Elementary School No. 9 project, which would consist of 26 classrooms and 650 seats. He stated that the project would relieve overcrowding at Independence, Liberty, Madison, State Street, Victoria Avenue, and Walnut Park Elementary Schools. The project would displace 5 single-family residences, 28 multi-family units, and 3

commercial sites. Ms. Cooper discussed the EIR for this item, which determined that noise and air quality impacts pose significant and unavoidable impacts, and would therefore require a Statement of Overriding Considerations.

SPEAKER

The following speakers expressed their views on this item:

Ms. Yvonne Lucelle, Member of United Parents Committee  
Mr. Enrique Vega, on behalf of Assembly Member Hector de la Torre

CEQA – SOUTH REGION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NO. 10

Mr. Hamilton provided an overview of the South Region Elementary School No. 10 project, which consists of 26 classrooms and 650 seats. The project would relieve overcrowding at Menlo and West Vernon Elementary Schools. Ms. Cooper discussed the EIR, which determined that noise, and air quality impacts pose significant and unavoidable impacts, and would therefore require a Statement of Overriding Considerations.

SPEAKER

The following speakers expressed their views on this item:

Mr. Omar Spry, Resident  
Ms. Alma Chavez, Resident

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL PHOTOVOLTAIC SOLAR PANEL ARRAYS AT EIGHT LAUSD SITES

Mr. Randy Britt, Director of Sustainability presented the proposal to purchase and install photovoltaic solar panel arrays at eight sites, by entering into agreements with SunPower Corporation. He stated that installing the arrays would allow the District to avoid greater cost of purchasing power. The eight sites where arrays would be installed would be (1) Roybal Learning Center, (2) Banning Senior High School, (3) Polytechnic Senior High School, (4) Local District Five Office, (5) Canoga Park High School, (6) Cleveland High School, (7) El Dorado Elementary School, and (8) Ann Street Elementary School.

Mr. Britt stated that the criteria for site selection was, roof capacity, structure condition, and ease of installation. He concluded his presentation by stating that the District is expected to save approximately \$20 million over a 20-year period.

SPEAKERS:

Mr. Bill Ring, Parent expressed his views on this item.

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The meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.  
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Notes by: Janet Saavedra  
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