

Downey Unified School District
CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
11627 Brookshire Avenue
August 9, 2022 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) was called to order by Donald E. La Plante, Tuesday, August 9, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at Doty Middle School, 10301 Woodruff Avenue, Downey, California 90241.

A quorum of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee was in attendance as established by roll call:

	Present	Absent
Danielle De Buhr		X
James R. Hendricks		X
Donald E. La Plante	X	
Dahlya McDonald	X	
Ozzie Macedo	X	
Jorge Somoano	X	
Jeff Townsend		X

DISTRICT STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. John Garcia, Superintendent
Christina Aragon, Associate Superintendent, Business Services
Vince Madsen, Senior Director, Facilities Planning and Development
Savana Weaver, Senior Secretary, Facilities Planning and Development

DISTRICT CONSULTANTS PRESENT:

None.

RECORDER:

Savana Weaver, Senior Secretary, Facilities Planning and Development

WELCOME FROM DR. GARCIA

Dr. Garcia gave an overview of bond history as the District creates a Facilities Master Plan. With the possibility of a future bond, elementary schools will be the main focus along with Pace Education Center, Columbus High School, and Downey Adult School. Dr. Garcia addressed Danielle De Buhr's question concerning the new bond's potential impact on taxpayers. Alfredo Perez inquired about whether Doty Middle school will receive roof repairs as well as other infrastructure improvements. Vince Madsen confirmed the roof work has been complete and conversation are underway regarding the balance between infrastructure upgrades and visible improvements. Dr. Garcia concluded his welcome sharing that the District is planning graduations and increasing summer school opportunities.

AGENDA ADOPTED

Donald E. La Plante moved, Dahlya McDonald seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to adopt Agenda #25 for the Regular meeting of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee held Tuesday, August 9, 2022.

APPROVED MINUTES OF JANUARY 31, 2022

Donald E. La Plante moved, Dahlya McDonald seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to approve Official Minutes of the regular meeting of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee meeting held on March 21, 2022 as submitted or with the necessary corrections.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS HEARD

Dr. Garcia answered Danielle De Buhr's question confirming that open houses at the middle schools will occur after Spring Break.

HEARD PUBLIC

None

REVIEWED PROGRESS OF SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Vince Madsen provided an update of the Stauffer Middle School gymnasium project and shared that due to the pandemic, the department has experienced longer than normal lead times. Stauffer Middle School New Classroom Building project has been DSA approved and projected to start June 6th. He listed upcoming projects including but not limited to lunch shelters, culinary arts rooms, and fire alarm upgrades.

REVIEWED FINANCIALS

Lisa Stenstrom presented an expenditure report covering July 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 and gave a high level overview of each site's financial activity. Dr. Garcia expressed his desire to build a new district office at no cost to taxpayers.

APPROVED CBOC ANNUAL REPORT

Danielle De Buhr moved, Jorge Somoano seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to approve the 2020-21 Annual Report of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee that will be presented to the Board of Education on April 5th.

ELECT 2022-23 OFFICERS

Danielle De Buhr moved, Alfredo Perez seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to continue officer assignments from 2021-22 school year into 2022-23 leaving Jeff Townsend as Chair of the committee and Donald La Plante as Vice Chair of the committee.

APPROVED 2022-23 CALENDAR

Jorge Somoano moved, James Hendricks seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to approve, as amended, 2022-23 Calendar of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee.

- October 24, 2022 at 4pm
- January 30, 2023 at 4pm
- March 27, 2023 at 4pm

FUTURE ITEMS

- Upcoming audit meeting on March 27, 2023

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee will be October 24, 2022 at Pace Education Center.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee was adjourned by Jeff Townsend at 5:31p.m.