



COLLEGE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Monday, January 10, 2011
5:30 p.m. – Campus Center, Room 4

MINUTES – Approved 3/14/2011

MEMBERSHIP PRESENT:	MEMBERSHIP ABSENT:
Bonnie Bernard	
Larry Billingslea	
Yvonne Chan	
Irwin Silon	
Ed Woods	
Judith Valles (LAMC)	
Wally Bortman (LAMC)	

FACILITATOR PRESENT:	GUESTS:
Michiel Usher (GSE)	
George Johnson (GSE)	
Nitin Bandi (GSE)	

WELCOME/APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The meeting came to order at 5:36 pm in Campus Center, Room 4. Minutes from November 08, 2010 meeting were approved as recorded.

REPORT FROM GSE PROJECT DIRECTOR:

1. The only project left in Proposition A/AA is **Family and Consumer Studies Building (FCSB)**.
 - The building is expected to be completed by January 28, 2011.
 - Target date for the college to occupy the building is February 4th after final commissioning is done.
 - The original completion date was in October 2010.
 - Delays and changes in project scope caused the delay.
 - Extension of time comes at no increase of dollar amount paid for work completed.
 - Once the building is finished the commitments will be revisited to see if there are any additional savings in the project.
 - Furniture to **FCSB** building was delivered last week and is being delivered this week.
 - A chef will identify were the smaller items will go.
2. All other projects within Proposition A/AA are completed.



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3. Report on Measure J:
 - **Media Art Center** is 58% completed and is intended to be turned over to the college for occupancy by spring semester of 2012.
 - **Student Services Center**/Administration Building is currently in design;
 - i. by March it should be in DSA for approval.
 - ii. scheduled completion date is April 2014.
 - In response to the question: it was said that until all projects are near to completion it is too early to estimate any savings.
 - **Campus Modernization Phase 1, 2, 3** is a collection of projects at different buildings.
 - All college signage will be standardized when all projects are completed. This work is already budgeted.
 - **Retrofitting college lighting, heating and cooling** systems is underway to save about 20% on energy cost.
 - **A Ball field** is the last major project to be implemented on the campus.
 - All remaining fund balances were transferred to this project for easier fund management.
4. A prioritized list of additional projects is being discussed with the college president if savings realize.
 - Committee requested the list as a supplement to the regular report for the next meeting.
5. It was explained that not all project were finished under **Measure A/AA** and completion was supplemented by **Measure J**.
6. Questions on land acquisition were answered.
7. A water pipeline was rerouted by LADWP to allow continuing construction.
 - This project took nine months to complete.
 - Street improvements are underway.
 - LADWP did not allow other work to be done in the area until their project was fully finished and ground was paved.
8. College has hired additional custodians to maintain new buildings.
9. Gateway may hire one additional construction manager to oversee construction of Central Plant and Photovoltaic Panels Project.
10. **Student Services:**
 - Gateway is in process of reviewing contract documents before submitting to DSA.
 - Estimated submission is March or April; estimated start of construction is June.
11. Athletic Complex:
 - Communication with the US Army Corps of Engineers was conducted to clarify the scope of the work to be done for Athletic Complex. Calbirds are to be trapped and relocated for the next ten years as a measure of saving those endangered species.

REPORT FROM COLLEGE PRESIDENT: Financial situation of the college was discussed. Statewide budget reduction is anticipated which will affect functioning of community colleges. The enrollment is



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currently being capped at the funded base. If further budget reductions are implemented more classes will be cut. Winter session was already eliminated as a measure of savings. It is unfortunate, that at these difficult economic times, there are no offering of more classes which is critical for technical training, basic skills and general education. Current LAMC enrollment is about **11,000 students**. Student fees are to be increased from **\$26 per unit to \$36** to offset budget cuts. State voters will be asked to approve extension of tax increase. If voters won't support tax continuation the community colleges will face deeper cuts.

REPORT FROM ASO REPRESENTATIVE: No report.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT COC REPRESENTATIVE: Brief report was made on the recent District's measures aimed to ensure the bond spending is performed in line with regulations and guidelines. Office of Inspector General was established and whistleblower program has started.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS: No report.

PROPOSED MEETING CALENDAR FOR 2011:

March 14, 2011

May 16, 2011

July 11, 2010

September 12, 2011

November 14, 2011

OLD BUSINESS: Discussion went on issues of nomination and appointment of the committee members, DCOC representative and a Chairman.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.