

SAN MARCOS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (COC)  
255 Pico Avenue, Suite 250  
San Marcos, CA 92069

AMENDED MINUTES  
July 14, 2011  
6:00 p.m.

These minutes are prepared to reflect discussion or action taken by the Citizens' Oversight Committee. These minutes are posted on the District's website at [www.smusd.org](http://www.smusd.org)

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Gary Hamels

**2.0 ROLL CALL**

COC Members present: David Barnum, Michael Brock, William Effinger, Darius Khayat, Anthony Martindale, Stephanie Nunez. Alternate present: Joseph Potts

Absent: Mike McDowell

**3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gary Hamels

**4.0 Approval of April 14, 2011 Minutes**

Moved by Bill Effinger to approve minutes and seconded by Michael Brock and minutes were approved as presented:

AYES: Barnum, Brock, Effinger, Khayat, Nunez

NONE:

ABSTAIN:

**5.0 Election of Officers**

Volunteer for Chair Position: Bill Effinger

Motion by Darius Khayat to nominate Bill Effinger as Chair and seconded by David Barnum.

Motion carried and Bill Effinger selected as Chair person.

Volunteer for Vice-Chair position: Michael Brock

Motion by David Barnum to nominate Michael Brock as Vice Chair and seconded by Darius Khayat.

Motion carried and Michael Brock selected to serve as Vice-Chair person.

Volunteer for Clerk position: Darius Khayat

Motion by David Barnum to nominate Darius Khayat as Clerk and seconded by Michael Brock.

Motion carried and Darius Khayat selected as Clerk.

Chair: Bill Effinger

Vice Chair: Michael Brock

Clerk: Darius Khayat

**6.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Bill Effinger opened public comments. No public in attendance. Motion by Darius Khayat to close Public Comments and seconded by Michael Brock. Motion carried

**7.0 PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION OF PURPOSE AND FUNCTIONS OF CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

Gary spoke about the San Francisco Trip and shared copies of the Board presentation to all members. Gary went through the board presentation with the committee. District received a better rating now than for prior bond in 1996. Gary explained how the bond and interest rates vary. Interest rates vary on bonds. Average interest rate 5 1/4 %. Discussed the assessed value growth projection. This bond is a 27 year bond. We are exempt from purchasing insurance because of our higher rating. Premium covered issuance costs (bond counsel, financial consultant, election etc.).

**8.0 PRESENTATION OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

Gary presented all members with a copy of the Official Statement . Has information about community and District.

**9.0 DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

PROJECTS UPDATE: Kathy Tanner did a power point presentation on Prop K update. Went over the construction funding and the Bond. The power point included project update, site diagrams/drawings, master schedule, project budget and estimate of bond draws. The cap is \$287 million. Possibly sell another bond in 2012. Need for another school which would be a K-8 site. Will apply for State funding and use for projects as well. Hoping for State funding bond on the ballot for 2012 on the general election. Prop K Projects: SMHS, \$180 million maximum, involves all phases, Environmental Impact Report approved 6/28/2011 by our Board. Guaranteed not to exceed \$136 million. Architect \$8.5 million. Shared that AG Farm has already been moved next to Twin Oaks Elementary. Increment 1 has been approved for Interim school. Buildings and site work phase 2 approved sometime in September. To be completed by December 30<sup>th</sup>. Increment 3 woodshop and kitchen. Woodshop has been a challenge because they need concrete floor. To be completed by February 1, 2012. Reconstruction of school – 3 increments as well. Moving into new high school in 2014. No parking on campus. Gary or Kathy can arrange a field trip to the site per request from member. Possibly will schedule a meeting on the site. Any time you do grading there is a potential for Artifacts. We have found Artifacts on site. Area up by fields and was a fill zone and the soil was filled with Artifacts. This has slowed us down. Finding different pieces. If we find any human remains we will have to stop and call the coroner. Found an area that is quite rich in Artifacts. They have found in tact Arrowheads, tools and grinding stones. Example of cost right now is an additional \$75,000 to project. Continue to find artifacts the project will cost us more. Turn in to educational opportunity for students. Asked us if we would like to have a display and they would provide a story to go with the display. Parking for interim housing: Ag area-Teacher parking, city would stop right turn if we could do parking for students on south side of San Marcos Blvd. Working on lighting and safety for all students. Parking will be on site when school is completed. Student population grows there will be rooms for collaboration these rooms can be turned into classrooms. Area for portables is being set up in case it is needed at a later date. Next projects Alvin Dunn, basic technology and infrastructure, La Costa Meadows, relocatable replacement, San Marcos Middle, Richland Elementary and Twin Oaks Elementary.

COC will receive updates continually.

**10.0 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATIVE TO PROPOSED COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2011**

The next meeting of the Citizens' Oversight Committee will take place on Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Business Services Conference Room of the North County Regional Education Center, 255 Pico Avenue, San Marcos, CA 90269

Committee has agreed to meet every 3 months on the second Thursday of the month.

Financial Reports: Target of January to give report for annual check with Kevin Holt and Board

**11.0 COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

- Discussion of what COC wants on Website
- Annual report on website
- Budget to committee
- All items 3 hole punched for committee members binders.
- Amended motion to discuss the Letter that COC Members received re: Legislative Proposal for School Facilities. Motion by David Barnum and seconded by Anthony Martindale that the letter be discussed at our next meeting. Motion carried
- Need to review Carlsbad's COC website and other District's

**12.0 ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by David Barnum and seconded by Anthony Martindale to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. Motion carried.

Date Minutes of July 14, 2011 Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Assistant Superintendent  
Business Services \_\_\_\_\_