Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC) Measure H General Obligation Bonds

OFFICERS

Chairperson

Eveleen Sheehan-Smith (March 2015) kesismith@juno.com

COC 2014-15 Organizational Meeting – Wednesday, March 19, 2014; 5:30 p.m. in the Library of the Sonora Elementary School, 630 Greenley Road, Sonora, California 95370

Vice Chair John Williams (May 2014) jrw@sonnet.com Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call, and Establishment of Quorum — Chairperson Sheehan-Smith called the meeting to Order at 5:30 p.m.

Secretary Tom Mannix (March 2015) tom8478@sbcglobal.net Members present: Chairperson Sheehan-Smith; Vice Chair John Williams; Secretary Mannix; Member Segerstrom. Member McCluskey was absent. Leigh Shampain, SES Superintendent of School was also present.

MEMBERS

Andrew McCluskey (March 2014) ajmccluskey@yahoo.com

Charles Segerstrom (March 2015) cfs1@pge.com

Motion to Approve the Agenda – Action. The Agenda as circulated prior to the meeting was approved four to zero by Sheehan-Smith, Williams, Mannix, and Segerstrom on a motion by Williams seconded by Segerstrom.

Action Items

00-01 Consent Agenda (Single Motion Needed)

00-01 **Approval of Minutes** of COC December 2013 meeting Action: carried on a motion by Mannix seconded by Segerstrom. Ayes (4) Sheehan-Smith, Williams, Mannix, and Segerstrom. Noes: None.

Discussion Items

00-01 SES Board Meetings of March 10 and March 12

The Superintendent discussed the bids received and acted upon by the School Board at its March 10th special meeting. COC members asked several questions about and the demolition work and its schedule. The Superintendent responded to each question.

Discussion of the March 12th School Board meeting included new COC Bylaw language that may make it easier to name future COC members.

00-03 COC with new members or without the seven required by the statute

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Andrew McCluskey's appointment to the COC expires in March 2014. John Williams's initial appointment to the COC expires in May 2014. Eve Sheehan-Smith, Charles Segerstrom, and Tom Mannix's appointment all expire in March 2015.

McCluskey is completing his third year on the COC. By statute, he could serve one more year. He has not made any official announcement about continuing for a final year.

John Williams will complete two years service in May. He could serve an additional two-ear appointment. He told those at this meeting that he would accept another appointment to the COC.

Sheehan-Smith, Segerstrom, and Mannix will have served the statutory maximum of four years when their current appointments expire in March 2015.

The Superintendent outlined all the efforts the School District are continuing to make trying to find new people to appoint to the committee. The COC membership situation may be acted on by the School Board before the next scheduled Quarterly Meeting of our committee.

00-02 2012-13 Bond Fund Audit

COC members discussed the most recent Building Fund audit with the Superintendent. The auditors determined that \$580,028 was spent from the Building Fund and the County Schools Facilities Fund in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013.

The audit sample totaled \$406,555 (70% of the project expenditures). The auditors determined that, in all significant respects, the Sonora School District has properly accounted for expenditures and that such expenditures were made for costs authorized by the voters of the District (p. 4 Sonora School District Building Fund June 30, 2013 **Conclusion**).

A COC member suggested the group review the entire Bond Fund expenditures for fiscal year 2012-2013. The Superintendent said he would arrange for a Spread Sheet of the dollars spent be sent to the COC Secretary electronically for transmittal to all members for their study prior to the next COC meeting.

There was also a discussion of how the District was planning to fund the replacement of technology expenditures that have a relatively short shelf life. Insurance money from the recent fire will be used to replace devices lost in the fire. Other devices not lost in the fire will begin to need replacement soon. The Superintendent said the School Board will address that issue as it develops the 2014-15 School District Budget.

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00-03 COC Meeting Schedule for 2014-2015

The COC discussed a proposed schedule for its first, second, and third quarterly meetings. The schedule has the COC quarterly meeting scheduled for one week after the School Board meetings in June, September, and December. The COC delayed setting a date for its March 2015 Organizational meeting until after the School Board announces its 2015 meeting schedule

Quarterly Meeting Schedule for COC March 2014 - December 2014

June 25, 2014

First Quarterly Meeting

September 17, 2014

Second Quarterly Meeting

December 17, 2014

Third Quarterly Meeting

All 2014 meetings at 5:30 p.m. in the SES Library would be scheduled for the week after the regularly scheduled meeting of the SES Board of Education meeting that same month.

The March 2015 COC Organizational Meeting would be scheduled after the SES School Board meeting schedule for March 2015 is published.

COC Member's Reports

There were no COC member reports at this meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.