

Dixon Unified School District  
Citizens' Oversight Committee

DRAFT FROM 4/27/06 MTG

Minutes Mtg. # 21  
April 27, 2006  
180 South First St.  
Board Room

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Vice Chair Gail Buller at 7:08pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Sign in sheet passed around.

Roll call:

Present: Gail Buller, Karen Castelli, Christine Curtis, Dave Hunt, Audrey Madden, Gary Riddle, Shirley Roady, Larry Simmons

Absent: Oscar Alcocer, Karen E. Clay, Cheryl Crane-Middleton, Pat Sanders, Helmut Sommer

Staff Present: Ed Eusebio – Director of Facilities, Telly Gutierrez- Program Secretary, Amy Swanson – Board Member, Susan Rinne- CBO, Roberto Salinas-Superintendent, Mike Van Pelt- Construction Mgr.

Guests present: Mr. Steve Wescoatt, CPA- Perry-Smith LLP

1. Approval of Minutes for Mtg. held February 9, 2006

Motion made by Christine Curtis to approve the minutes. Shirley Roady 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion passed unanimously after Mr. Eusebio asked that items #4 and 6 be presented together since both items were linked.

3. Unscheduled Community presentations

None

4. Auditor Report

Mr. Steve Wescoatt made a presentation on the audit report in which he explained that in the Ed Code there is no definition of a performance audit but that the audit executed was one in which his firm checked the efficiency to make sure that the bond money is spent only on the new Dixon High project. Susan Rinne made some clarifications to make sure all committee members understood. Mr. Smith added that at a later date when the project progresses that larger samples of items would be added to the audit, it will just depend on the volume. Larry Simmons asked if the present rising of interest rates would make a difference on the financial impact. The answer was no.

Dave Hunt asked Mr. Wescoatt if the money being audited was all bond money in which Susan Rinne responded that yes this is the bond money and that when the matching funds from the state came into the picture then another budget spreadsheet would be presented.

5. Timeline Review-Mike Van Pelt

Mike Van Pelt passed out his report and explained that the project started out real good-then there were 88 days of rain which affected the critical path which in turn affected the schedule by putting it behind 54 days.

Regarding the timeline the completion of the project is the end of the first week of July 2007.

The site has web cameras that are now functioning. The cameras take two pictures per hour. You can see the progress on the construction and he also added that the site just got power out there.

6. Audit – Susan Rinne

Susan already presented this with item # 4.

7. Expenditure Report-Susan Rinne

Susan explained the spreadsheet-fiscal year to date. Mr. Dave Hunt asked a question on the photovoltaic cost. In which Mr. Eusebio answered that it's not part of the budget because it's still under study. The cost was for the work done underground is in preparation if the district decided to go ahead with the photovoltaic project.

Shirley Roady asked on the mitigation credit in which both Susan Rinne and Mr. Eusebio explained that this money goes to the Dept. of Fish and Game (land is set aside somewhere else due to the displacement of the hawk and owl). Ms. Roady wanted to know where the land is in which Mr. Salinas added that this information is not given but money is put in the bank for that purpose. Susan Rinne finished by adding that we don't want to upset the Eco- System.

Mr. Riddle asked how the district is going to make up the difference to pay for the school. Mr. Eusebio explained that the application has been submitted and is dated 12/05. There are still negotiations on the matching funds but that the paper work was finalized. The district should find out in May 2006. The short fall is 10-12 million dollars. The district borrows from the developer fees and completes the total needed. Bond money has to be spent within three years of the sale of the bonds.

Mr. Salinas told the committee that the SAB (State Allocation Board) meets once a month. We won't have concrete numbers until then.

On a positive note Mr. Eusebio informed the committee that since the school will be energy efficient that the district received an extra \$600,000 and there are other items that are being worked on to shrink the short fall of funds.

8. Next meeting

Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2006

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Christine Curtis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shirley Roady.

Motion passed.

8:04pm.