

Nevada Joint Union High School District Independent Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, Regular Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2017 5:00 p.m. Nevada Union High School District Conference Room 11645 Ridge Road Grass Valley, CA. 95945

A. CALL TO ORDER/DESIGNATION OF INITIAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

Committee Chair Lisa Swarthout called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Committee Chair Lisa Swarthout called roll and all were present: Julie Barnum, Rob Katzenstein, Irene Frazier, Andrew Wilkinson, Bob Branstrom, Katy Schwarz, Heino Nicolai, Philip Salter, Eva Nau and Stephen French

Others present: Dr. Louise Johnson, Laura Flores, Paul Palmer, Jordan Kohler and Debbie Zeisler

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Irene Frazier moved, Andrew Wilkinson seconded and the Committee approved the Agenda 11-0.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

E. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Two members of the Committee had corrections for the minutes and one member suggested that the minutes be more thorough to reflect what is said during meetings. Committee Chair Swarthout suggested tabling the item until the next meeting in August.

F. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

F.1 Superintendent Welcome

Dr. Johnson welcomed the Committee.

F.2 Introduction of new staff

Dr. Johnson introduced two new staff members: Jordan Kohler, Director of Maintenance, and Laura Flores, Chief Business Official.

F.3 Overview of first set of projects and timing for start

Several committee members asked several questions: when will the new rates affect homeowners and will they be paying on the full \$47 million, will there be a thank-you campaign, will before/after pictures be taken. Committee Chair Swarthout noted that the Governing Board would be responsible for thanking the community.

Paul Palmer, Director of Construction and Planning, reviewed the summer 2017 projects by site:

Bear River-The school was built in 1985 and is in need of a lot of upgrades and improvements. The security cameras and public address systems will be upgraded as will the fire shutters on the Metal Shop. The upgrade of the HVAC hydronic piping has been postponed until next summer so staff can review other systems.

Nevada Union- The security cameras and public address systems will be upgraded. The underground gas lines will be replaced. The low bid was from Pacific Mechanical Corp., which is a well- established business from Concord. The all-weather synthetic turf field will be replaced as it was installed in 2006 and only expected to last 8 years. Field Turf has been awarded the job and came in significantly under projected partly due to utilizing a piggyback bid process. They are a nationwide company with an office in California. The new turf could yield 10-12 years of use, due to overall improved quality. It was noted that the g-max rating has lost its integrity and needs to be restored to be playable. New roofs will be installed on Buildings C&J. They will be 20 year bonded roofs and the bid came in at half the projected cost. The Don Baggett Theater will be painted and the bid came in higher than anticipated due to rising prevailing wage costs. The project will start right after school is out and is projected to take 60 days, not the 45 originally thought. The District will be utilizing a color consultant because the theater is the first and foremost building on campus that people notice.

Silver Springs- The security cameras and public address systems will be upgraded.

McCourtney Center Adult School-All projects have been postponed until further notice due to lease uncertainties.

F.4 Other business

F.5 Tour of the Nevada Union High School Campus

Paul Palmer guided a tour of the Nevada Union campus so committee members could see the areas where the summer projects will be taking place.

Don Baggett Theater exterior painting – it was noted that it not only is unattractive, but that the stucco is compromised.

Main entrance – the gas lines will all be replaced. The sewer/water and electric lines are slated for summer, 2018, as will be the stairs and rails. It was noted that any projects requiring Division of State Architect (DSA) approval take a substantial amount of time. Paving will be conducted when all underground work is complete.

Underground Gas Lines-The lines are steel and very old, from the 1960's. The new lines will be 3 inch, plastic, "forever" lines. During construction this summer the campus will implement 1-way traffic in affected areas rather than closing in order to minimize the impact.

Paul pointed out Buildings C&J, which will have 52,000 sq. ft. of new roofs installed between them. Next summer the E-Building and the Theater will have new roofs installed. A committee member inquired about solar panels and Paul reported that solar will be incorporated at bear River High School but that most of the roofs at Nevada Union cannot absorb the weight of solar panels due to the required snow loads.

G. FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Committee will be August 7, 2017 at Bear River High School. It was noted that this date may conflict with the Nevada County Fair for some members.

H. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Lisa Swarthout, Committee Chair

Louise B. Johnson, Superintendent and Committee Secretary