# VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITYCOLLEGE DISTRICT

# **Board Construction Subcommittee**

July 28, 2004

# **Meeting Notes**

PRESENT: Trustee Mary Anne Rooney, Trustee Bob Gonzales, Lydia

Ledesma-Reese, Tom Kimberling, Les Dickey, Handel Evans,

Jerry Mortensen, Deputy Chief Geoff Dean (Sheriff's Department), Sue Johnson, Ray DiGuilio, Diane Stephens

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

None

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# **Old Business**

# **New Business**

# **Purchasing Department:**

1. Bid #239: Installation of Fiber-Optic Cable at Oxnard College
This project includes replacing existing and installing new fiber optic
cable at Oxnard College and is estimated not to exceed \$50,000. The bid
is part of the overall Network Infrastructure Upgrade, budgeted at \$1.5
million.

# **Capital Planning Design and Construction:**

# 1. Fire Sheriff Academy - Carrier Johnson Contract

It was moved that this item be discussed first on the agenda in order to allow Chief Dean and Mr. Mortensen to leave early. The lease between the VCCCD and the County Fire Protection District is now complete and will be sent to the US Department of Education for final signatures. The Phase II Environmental Assessment identified two areas of concern, which require further study: possible water quality concerns and measurement of ground radiation. These additional studies are now underway and should be completed soon. The contract with the architect, Carrier Johnson, is now ready to move forward.

# 2. Oxnard College LRC – Contract with Thoma Engineering

The information technology and data systems at Oxnard College need to be renovated, expanded and upgraded prior to any new construction on the campus. The District's Information Technology Department has interviewed and recommended Thoma Engineering as the design engineer for this project. The amount of the contract is \$72,975.

# 3. Oxnard College Classroom Building – Architect Selection

The Board Construction Subcommittee recommends the firm of GKK Education as the architect for the Oxnard College Classroom Building.

# 4. Ventura College - Architect Selection for the Food Service Renovation After inspection of the food service area at Ventura College, the County Health Department is requiring replacement of cabinets, shelves, some flooring, etc. by September 30. JCM Group recommended four architectural firms qualified for this work, and the campus made the final recommendation. Because this is a small project and must be done as quickly as possible, the campus is requesting that the Board appoint the firm of Austin Veum Robbins architects.

# 5. Ventura College – Architect Selection for the Building G (Theater) Due Diligence Study

The Board Construction Subcommittee has scheduled interviews for this project on Thursday, August 5. The name of the recommended firm will be presented after that. It is anticipated that the cost of the study will be approximately \$250,000.

# 6. Orbach Huff and Suarez LLP – Supplement to Contract for Legal Services

The legal firm of Orbach Huff and Suarez provides legal advice and counseling to the District in connection with a number of construction-related issues, both for Measure S and non-Measure S. This item seeks approval to continue the contract for approximately six months for an additional \$210,000. Mr. Evans reported that he intends to present to the Board at a future meeting an accounting of all legal costs utilizing bond funds.

## 7. JCM Contract

This item was pulled from the Board Construction Subcommittee agenda. Negotiations are still underway.

# 8. Change Order Summary Sheet

Mr. Dickey discussed the change order requests generated by FTR International for the Ventura College Learning Resource Center. Many of these CORs have been rejected or are unilateral change orders. It was

agreed that these would be arbitrated at the end of construction. The building should be substantially completed in September or October, but it is recommended that it not be occupied until the punch list items have been completed. It is anticipated that it will be ready for occupancy by the holiday break in December.

# Report on Measure S

# 1. General Oversight Report

# a. Report of Measure S Bond Expenditures (under \$25,000)

The report of Measure S bond expenditures under \$25,000 was reviewed and discussed.

# b. Citizens Oversight Committee

A copy of the Citizens Oversight Committee's Annual Report was distributed. It is also posted on the District's website.

# c. Moorpark College Library Renovation

Trustee Rooney asked for an update on the issues with the Moorpark College Library Renovation. Mr. DiGuilio reported that discussions are still going on. They have been in contact with the State Chancellor's Office and have various options to consider. The basic issue is safety vs. the building code requirements. Trustee Rooney asked for assurance from the campus that they are coordinating these discussions with JCM and Mr. Evans.

## d. Construction Inflation Costs

Mr. Evans briefed the committee on the rising costs of construction, the causes, and what inflation might do to the Phase II Measure S construction projects. He mentioned that costs would need to be monitored and informed the Committee on the intention to distribute cost updates as information becomes available. Mr. Kimberling asked that the colleges also receive this information, when available.

# Architect Interviews - Oxnard College Classroom Building

The Trustees interviewed the following architectural firms for the Oxnard College Classroom Building:

5:00 p.m. GKK

5:35 p.m. Leo A Daly

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.