

# VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

## Citizens Oversight Committee May 22, 2006

### MINUTES

Michael Wesner called the meeting to order at 3:41 p.m.

#### **I. Roll Call**

Roll call was taken and a quorum was not established.

Committee Members Present: Michael Wesner, Manuel Lopez, and Kay Wilson Bolton

Board Members Present: Trustee Bob Huber

VCCCD Administration Present: Eva Conrad

Others Present: Mary Anne McNeil, Handel Evans, Les Dickey, John Sinutko,  
Dick Jones, and Linda Cooper

#### **II. Chairman's Comments**

##### **A. Approval of Minutes of January 9, 2006**

The approval of the minutes of January 9, 2006, was deferred for lack of quorum.

##### **B. Correspondence Received**

No correspondence was received.

#### **III. Chancellor's Comments**

Mr. Evans apologized for the Chancellor not being able to attend the meeting.

Mr. Wesner welcomed Trustee Bob Huber, Board of Trustees and also Dr. Eva Conrad, President of Moorpark College.

#### **IV. Old Business**

##### **A. Report of expenditures to date (M.A. McNeil)**

Mary Anne McNeil reviewed the most current Ventura County Community College District Use of Bond Proceeds summary sheets including information thru April 30, 2006. She also stated that audits will be conducted by Vicenti, Lloyd, Stutzman, LLP beginning in August. Mr. Wesner asked that COC members be notified of upcoming renewal of contract for auditors.

#### **V. New Business**

##### **A. Discussion of New Priorities**

Mr. Huber stated that he appreciated the service of the committee members.

Mr. Wesner stated his appreciation for Mr. Huber attending today's meeting.

Mr. Huber stated that he had 4 years experience with the bond, 2 years experience as COC member, also serves as Chair for the Board Construction Subcommittee.

He said that the Committees look at the uniqueness of each campus. Projects should reflect the 21<sup>st</sup> century, make a statement, and balance with other buildings on each campus.

Mr. Huber also gave an overview of the Santa Paula Center. Some citizens of Santa Paula felt that the Trustees broke a promise to build in their community, when all 4 off campus sites (Camarillo, Simi Valley, Thousand Oaks, and Santa Paula) were eliminated. In addition, land was not available for the Santa Paula project. He also informed the committee that the Board had offered a compromise to the City of Santa Paula. Mr. Huber assured the committee that no promises were broken.

Mr. Evans included a copy of his presentation made to the Board regarding all Measure S projects. The presentation states completed projects, under construction, In Design, and delayed projects. Mr. Evans stated that since the \$350 million bond passing, \$100 million has already been lost to inflation, resulting in a loss of about \$30-\$40 million per campus.

Mr. Wesner asked what process is used at the campus level to identify projects with loss of funds. Dr. Conrad stated that similar to Oxnard and Ventura, the Moorpark campus guiding principals included the academic and facilities Master Plan. A fully participatory process was employed from campus to Board level.

**B. Update on Bond Program**

Mr. Evans presented information on Bond projects with attention to possible outstanding litigation issues.

**C. Actions taken by the Board involving bond funds (since last meeting)**

Information to be mailed.

At 4:45 Mr. Stueck arrived at the meeting and a quorum was established. The minutes of January 9, 2006, were approved. The motion to approve was made by Dr. Lopez and seconded by Mr. Stueck.

**D. Next meeting date**

Next Citizens Oversight Committee meeting was scheduled for Monday, July 17, 2006, at Ventura College.

**VI. Public Speakers** (Members of the public are allotted 5 minutes to address the agenda issues.)

No public speakers.

**VII. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.