

Minutes
District Citizen Oversight Committee
December 14, 2007

In attendance: Dr. Yvonne Chan, Los Angeles Mission College; Raymond Cheng, East Los Angeles College; Gary Cook, Labor Representative; Alan Ehrlich, Foundation Representative; Carol Gustin, Taxpayer Representative; David Kersh, Los Angeles Trade Technical College; Jim Lynch, West Los Angeles College; David Rattray, Business Representative; Henry Porter Jr., Los Angeles Southwest College; Shana Won, Los Angeles City College; Larry Eisenberg, Executive Director Facilities and Planning, LACCD; Dr. Adriana Barrera, Deputy Vice Chancellor; Dr. Mark Drummond, Chancellor; James Sohn, Build LACCD, Alexia Nalewaik, Moss-Adams LLP; Coby King, MWW; Lynn Winter Gross, Director of Public Relations, LACCD, Alexander Rossas, Build LACCD, Brent Hurwitz, Build LACCD.

A pre-meeting orientation was held at 11:30 a.m. for new members and standing members to brief them on the functions and duties of DCOC membership and the history of the bond program.

Call to Order:

DCOC President Jim Lynch called the meeting to order at 12:15. Members introduced themselves and welcomed the new member in attendance: Henry Porter Jr. Trustee Mona Field thanked the committee for their commitment and hard work.

Quarterly Update:

Larry Eisenberg and James Sohn reported that 176 projects have been completed and 203 projects are currently under construction. The District is spending about \$30-\$40 million per month. Most of the large projects at each campus will be completed by 2008. Members thanked the District team for providing them the detailed charts in advance of the meeting and expect to use the easy-to-read overview to present to community groups.

Bidding Report:

The District recently received 16 bids for a project at ELAC. A number of the bidders are repeat customers, which reflects well on firms' satisfaction on doing business with the LACCD. The committee complimented the District on establishing good business practices which are well-known throughout the community.

Quarterly Video Update:

A new video was presented, showing construction progress and detail at each campus. A request was made to insert the expected date of completion for each of the projects.

Introduction and welcome by Dr. Mark Drummond:

Dr. Drummond thanked the committee members for their service to the district and the community and talked about the critical need for updating our campus facilities to prepare our students for the careers of the future. When asked about the possibility of a future bond, he responded that the Board of Trustees has made no decision.

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The Board is currently involved in educating voters on Proposition 92, which would increase the resources available to community colleges and provide a predictable resource for maintenance of our new buildings.

If the District does decide to put another bond measure on the ballot, it was suggested that it obtain third party endorsements, like the LA Chamber of Commerce. Since most of the new buildings will be completed and occupied by 2008, it will be an opportune time to showcase students in the new facilities and capitalize on our workforce training programs. The District should emphasize the benefits to the community of the new facilities and the need to complete the construction outlined in each college's master plan.

The committee members each received a DVD of a power point presentation to give to community groups. There were a number of suggested edits.

Recent Awards:

The LACCD recently received the highly prized California Governor's Environmental and Economic Leadership Award and was honored in Chicago by President Clinton and the Clinton Climate Initiative. The LACCD was one of the 12 original signatories of the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment, an organization which aims to get all colleges and universities on a pathway to sustainability. The District also received the McGraw Hill Magazine California Construction Best '07 award for its internship, outreach and apprenticeship programs.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m. Some of the members took a tour of the District's Facility Showroom, where the meeting was held.

Upcoming Meetings: 2/8/08; 5/9/08