# KINGSBURG ELEMENTARY CHARTER SCHOOL DISTRICT CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE – MEASURE A

## December 19, 2018

# Kingsburg Elementary Charter School District Professional Development Building 1310 Stroud Avenue Kingsburg, California 93631

## 3:30 p.m.

#### MINUTES

## Call to Order Chair, Dean Johnston called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Dean Johnston Heather Bennett Scott Carlson Sarah Lane (was not present at today's meeting) Aida Rushing (was not present at today's meeting) Ruby DeJong (was not present at today's meeting)

#### **District Administrators Present:**

Wesley Sever, Ed.D., Superintendent Nick Taylor, Ed.D., Chief Business Official

#### DISCUSSION

#### Dr. Taylor

- A progress report was given on the following Series A projects by Dr. Taylor:
  - Costs of Issuance
  - Architects, inspector, site surveys, soils tests
  - Technology infrastructure upgrades
  - ADA concrete work at Washington cafeteria
  - Moved SPED building to District Office site area
  - Roosevelt Security Fencing
  - Washington restroom remodel
  - RJJH Sports complex

Dr. Taylor stated that the costs of issuance, architects, inspectors, site surveys and soil tests were all necessary expenses in order to move forward with the district wide bond projects. The updates to infrastructure upgrades were also a necessity at sites Washington, Roosevelt and Lincoln in order to add the current technology needed by our students. Dr. Taylor reported that although the concrete work done at Washington cafeteria was not on the original projects list, circumstances required the improvement. The finished project gave our special needs student the ability to participate equitably and as independently as possible with his fellow students. He was thrilled to be able to keep up with his peers. The Special Education building was moved to the District Office site area in order to proceed with the project relocation of the Pre-school building. The much needed Roosevelt security fencing was completed and we were pleased to be able to contract one of our local vendors for this project. The Washington restroom remodel has been an ongoing issue for many years, but since the Bond funding is considered local monies the project became much more manageable and we were able to finally complete this project. Board Chair Dean Johnston mentioned that many years ago a request was made by Rafer Johnson that the school bearing his name should have a track; our RJJH sports complex is now completed, we are waiting on final billing from American Paving Company in order to close the project. Since the tracks dedication it has been enjoyed by not only our students but our community as well.

- Progress on Series B
  - We were able to sell the entire \$5 million of the remaining bond
  - Our Bond Ratings were so high, we sold them with a "premium", meaning the costs of issuance were covered
  - Used \$1,585,707.01 to pay down the Certificate of Participation (COP) from the Reagan School construction loan
  - The following projects are preparing to be advertised for bidders
    - Lincoln heating and cooling
      - Relocate the preschool to the corner of Washington school Shade structures
        - ➢ Reagan
        - > Lincoln
        - > Roosevelt
        - > CVHS

Lincoln schools heating and cooling systems needed to be addressed, Dr. Taylor researched the modern heating and cooling systems in place at Sanger Middle School District and Clovis Elementary School and reported on their efficiency. Board member Scott Carlson inquired regarding the price and life expectancy of the systems. Dr. Taylor stated that cost of the modern systems were around \$250,000.00, and the life expectancy approximately 20 years. Relocating the preschool to the corner of Washington school will give the parents better access to the school and also their own parking lot. Shades structures are also scheduled to be a part of this series, Dr. Taylor displayed several examples of shade structures for the board to examine. He explained the benefits, the locations and the design preferences of the principals. Board member Scott Carlson recommended that maybe we could approach the service clubs of the community about extra funding for the shade structures.

- Other project, funds permitting
  - Baseball diamond at Lincoln school
  - Extend playfield at Reagan
  - Repair/Replace asphalt play area at Reagan
  - Add portable classroom building at CVHS
  - Shade at Washington school
  - Shade at RJJH lunch area

Dr Taylor explained that due to our high bond rating the district was able to sell the entire \$5 million of the remaining bond, which now provided an opportunity to consider some of the above projects. Brief explanations were given by Dr. Taylor regarding the projects. Chair Dean Johnston mentioned the need for more bathroom access at Lincoln school for the community sports that use the school fields. Dr. Taylor stated that it may be possible to lay slabs for Porta Potty placement. Board member Scott Carlson mentioned going from memory it was his understanding that the HASH development coming in was to finance a new baseball field at Lincoln school, Dr. Taylor stated that he would research the matter. School Board member Scott Carlson also mentioned that the replacement of the asphalt play area at Reagan school sounded more like a necessity rather than a consideration, that it could be a safety issue. Vice Chair Heather Bennett recommended the shade structure at RJJH lunch area should also be considered a necessity. She has been around the lunch area at the time that the students are required to stand before lunch is dispensed and the high heat is miserable. The opportunity was given to the Board members to choose from the funds permitting projects list what they considered most important. Dr. Taylor thanked the Board for attending.

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

Secretary, Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee - Measure A