



America's Choice Transition Team Meeting  
October 24, 2007- 6:00 p.m.  
A. Warren McClaskey Adult School  
5241 J Street – Room 3  
Sacramento, CA 95819

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Transition Team Members Present: Jim Dobson, Ed Marquez, Sue Brown, Luis Freese, Sue Gilmore, Dave Taxara, Charlene Noyes, Chris Marshall and Eric Mifkovic

## **M I N U T E S**

### **I. Welcome & Introductions**

Meeting opened at 6:00 p.m. Committee reviewed minutes from September 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. Sue Gilmore moved to approve minutes; Luis Freese seconded. Minutes will be posted on the district website.

### **II. Update and Review of Current Status of America's Choice High School**

The America's Choice site is 80% complete and 35 to 40 days ahead of schedule with an expected completion date of January 28, 2008. Heavy rains may cause delay, but are not anticipated. Painting at site is complete and electrical going in. Crews are working on site work 6 and 7 days of the week to complete the project as soon as possible. The punch list work will start within two weeks and it is anticipated that it will be completed by January 28th. Work crews are installing landscaping, irrigation system, fence and signage work at this time. Forty electric heaters have been put on standby in case gas not available.

Committee Member, Charlene Noyes, visited the site and noticed it was a beehive of activity. The District will hold an Open House at new site when complete to which the America's Choice Transition Team will be invited.

### **III. Improvement Recommendations**

Recap of survey results which were sent to all committee members and the staff at A. Warren McClaskey Adult Center:

Survey Results (30 surveys submitted):

1. Priority #1: Replace older portable buildings with newer portables currently being used by America's Choice school. Received 26 votes to date.  
*Rough costs came to \$362,000 to purchase three (3) leased portables currently being used by America's Choice and demo older portables and replace with new ones. To leave new portable buildings in current position would costs approximately \$174,000. This would include demolition of older portable buildings and include improvements to the facility.*

2. Priority #2: Repaint McClaskey buildings with historic colors. Received 25 votes to date.  
*Could cost as much as \$151,000 and may be higher. Painting includes Architect fees, lead abatement, paint, labor, Inspector costs and unknown amount of dry rot repair. Color would be chosen to go with mission style regardless of original color suggested.*
3. Priority #3: Repair grounds and asphalt and re-draw parking lines after move of portable buildings. Tree wells included in plan. Received 19 votes to date.  
*This cost is included in the Interim Campus costs for America's Choice.*

Priority number three determined to be already included in plan for repairs at A. Warren McClaskey Adult Center after move of the America's Choice campus to new site on Systems Parkway. This item is not fully funded at this time.

Priority number one and two are remaining improvements to be researched by District staff. Parking will replace basketball court near where America's Choice portables are now. Plan could be revised to include a basketball half-court if determined necessary.

The understanding with the community at and around A. Warren McClaskey was that the District would leave the site in better shape than before the America's Choice campus moved there. SCUSD staff has worked with HMR Architects to redesign and repair the parking lot. District staff is looking at implementing improvements over more than one year. The amount of dry rot repair could be costly on priority #2 on the painting of A. Warren McClaskey Adult Center. Mary Shelton has indicated that she may have the money to do the painting and staff will be updating her on the approximate cost for the project.

Portable replacement: District staff is looking at ways to find money for portable replacement. The question was asked: If we can only afford a certain amount, does it change the priorities? The community would like to see it painted – which is funded at this time through LSU A. Sue Gilmore stated her belief that there may be money to do both projects; painting and portable replacement.

#### **IV. Next Steps**

Portable Demolition and Move: The neighbors in the community requested prior notification when America's Choice school moves off of the premises and the repairs begin at the A. Warren McClaskey Adult Center. Staff agreed to do a flyer with an estimated timeline to notify the community prior to the America's Choice move and beginning improvements. The portables currently housing the America's Choice school are covered under a lease agreement which has been extended through the end of March, 2008. Some discussion regarding Spring Break, March 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>, being the optimum time to move the portable buildings. It will take approximately 4 weeks to move America's Choice school into new site. The America's Choice school will begin moving on January 28, 2008 which will leave time to start prep work at A. Warren McClaskey Adult Center.

Parking Lot: Per Sue Gilmore, the first two weeks in July are the best dates to re-lay parking lot as the school will be closed on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Staff is looking at phasing the work to allow work to proceed while school is in session as it takes more than two weeks to prep the site, grading, etc. Sue Gilmore reminded staff that Tuesday and Wednesday are heaviest use days for parking lots and Friday use the lightest.

Basketball court in back will be pulled out when new lot installed as the courts block vehicle access. When project re-striped, the site will have 40 new parking stalls; 31 staff currently drive to school – 40 stalls available in back of site. If site prefers staff could potentially leave one basketball court or half court and stripe it for parking when not in use. This is not anything that the school needs per Sue Gilmore, but if used by community, basketball courts could stay. Gates are locked after hours, but community access to the basket ball courts is available on foot.

Next Meeting: November 28, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

Items for discussion:

- Planned improvements
- Available funding
- Timeline of improvements. (portables, grounds, paint and parking lot ).
- A better estimated price for painting to LSU A Associate Superintendent, Mary Shelton.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.