



# Putting Children First

## BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, August 2, 2011  
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

LBHS, Burbank Room  
3500 Florin Rd.  
Sacramento, CA 95823

### **Bond Oversight Committee Members Present:**

Alex Visaya  
Bob Blymyer, BOC Chair

Carol Davydova, Vice Chair  
Adolfo Mercado

### **SCUSD Staff/Consultants Present:**

Nick Koehler, SCUSD, CAMS  
Paul Breckenridge, SCUSD, CAMS  
Farah McDill, Green Schools Fellow

Amari Watkins, SCUSD, Accounting  
Jim Dobson, SCUSD, CAMS

### **I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Bob Blymyer**

- Meeting called to order at 5:06 p.m. by Bob Blymyer. Introductions were made and meeting was started. Farah McDill, Center for Green Schools, UTC Fellow, gave a brief background and explained the fellowship program which brought her to SCUSD. Minutes were reviewed by the BOC. There were some grammatical and spelling errors that were noted, and the BOC moved to accept the minutes with corrections. Alex moved to accept the minutes and the motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob. Minutes for May 2, 2011 BOC meeting were accepted and approved pending corrections made.

### **II. BOND FUNDING Update:**

- Amari Watkins went through the handout that was passed out and gave overview of current bond fund accountings to the BOC. Amari also informed the BOC members that the financial rollover will be taking place soon, and that we will be adding interest and other categories to reporting. Amari also explained to the BOC that the COP will show net increases on the next report. Money was made that would affect the net.
  - **Q-** Carol asked if there was any return on investments and where does SCUSD store those funds?  
**A-** Amari answered the County Treasury (Wells Fargo)
  - **Q-** Carol asked if SCUSD had tracked any return on investments?  
**A-** Amari answered that yes SCUSD had and that information had gone to the Board in a Quarterly Report.
  - **Q-** Adolfo asked if we could keep the Bond Accounting Reports more transparent by reporting all transaction?  
**A-** Yes
  - **Q-** Adolfo asked if Amari could provide the BOC with a ball park figure on remaining Bond Funds?  
**A-** Amari answered that there was approximately \$10 million

- Jim Dobson then explained to the BOC that the Consent Decree allocation could potentially be around \$7.8 million, and that money could be allocated by the Board to help fund other facility projects.
  - **Q-** Bob asked if there had been any discussion about going back to the public for another Bond?
    - A-** Jim answered that officially there had not been, but it seems that there might be some discussions starting up.
- Amari commented that SCUSD did have public savings, so that might position us well for a new bond. Amari also explained to Adolfo that there was about 13 million encumbered from last year and the current year in bond funds.

### III. Site Walk:

- The BOC and SCUSD members took a site walk of Luther Burbank High School's new Athletic Complex. Starting with the new classroom buildings, proceeding to the concessions area, and ending with the new stadium and field.
  - **Q-** Adolfo asked why the new classroom looked so completely different than the rest of the school?
    - A-** Paul answered that the design aimed to draw community and establish a community approach.
- Paul then took the group through the concession buildings and talked about the status and history of construction on those areas. Paul and Jim then lead the group to the field and explained the turf's qualities

### IV. "Greening our Schools"

- Farah talked about the USGBC handout, and how it outlined all the benefits and design potentials for green schools. The handout gave financial savings figures. Farah also talked about her goals and the USGBC's mission. 50/50.
  - **Q-** Carol asked what 50 for 50 was?
    - A-** Farah explained that the USGBC's mission was 50 green caucuses in 50 states.
  - **Q-** Bob asked what Farah's funding source was?
    - A-** Farah explained that her salary was paid for by the USGBC, and that she had access to some Bond Funds, which the SCUSD Board had allocated for "Green Projects"
  - **Q-** Carol asked what were 3 goals of Farah's or the districts?
    - A-** Farah explained that
      - Green Teams- on site school groups/district wide teams
      - Create a sustainable program that would be incorporated into SCUSD for many, many years to come
      - Integrate USGBC philosophies into her trainings and activities
- Farah then told the BOC that there was more information that could be researched regarding her position and the USGBC on the USGBC's website.
  - **Q-** Bob asked who Farah reported to?



- **Increment II-** Paul explained the components in Increment II, and said they included the slab for the classroom, the bleacher install.
- **Increment III-** Paul explained the components in Increment III, and said they included primarily the sound wall. Paul noted that during the planning stages he had met with reps from the adjacent mobile home community, and then explained to the BOC how the wall component was added and how it was constructed.
  - Carol commented that the wall was well blended. She said that it was well incorporated into the site.
- Paul invited the BOC members out to the site for regularly scheduled construction meeting which take place once a week on Thursdays.

**VII. Quarterly Reports- (LDV, Leonardo Da Vinci, Parking Lot Project/Bowling Green Parking Lot Project):**

- Paul explained to the BOC members the details regarding the LDV Projects completion, and said that fencing was the last remaining issue. He then described the Bowling Green Project to include the scope of the project and necessity for construction, Paul also noted that the contractor selected gave a bid that was considerably below the planned construction cost estimates.
  - **Q-** Carol asked about the consideration of heat islands that might occur, and if that notion was being considered in the planning of the project?  
**A-** Paul answered that yes that was considered, and that additional landscaping was being considered to curb that problem.
- Paul then went on to explain to the BOC members about the Isador Cohen HVAC project which was near completion. Paul explained that the white coating was being applied to the roof, “Green” filters were being considered, and that mechanical controls were being installed at the site to help run the system efficiently. Paul explained that SCUSD was working towards incorporating “Green Components” into all of their projects.

**VIII. Member Recruitment:**

- Pamphlet draft was presented to the BOC members. BOC members discussed and recommended that the front page needs to be centered text, and that constituency should be added to the BOC member’s titles.
- Members expressed concerns about member numbers because Bob would be leaving the committee soon.
- Carol stated that she had been talking with potential members and had been informing them on how to get more membership information.
- Bob wanted Nick to make sure that elections were incorporated into the next meeting.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m. by Alex and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carol**  
***Respectfully submitted, Nicholas Koehler***