

FWISD CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING

Notes

Date: April 12, 2010
Prepared by: Kaylynn Loftis
Purpose: Quarterly Meeting of the Capital Improvement Program Citizens' Oversight Committee

Location: Hazel Harvey Peace Elementary School Library
Project Name: FWISD Capital Improvement Program
Meeting Start: 6:16 PM
Meeting End: 7:30 PM

Attendees:

- Paula Batts
- Bob Bolen
- Victor Garcia – Chair
- Harold Hebson
- Jack Larson
- Isaac Manning – Co-Chair
- Lisa Savage
- Larry Shaw
- Willett Stallworth
- Daniel Villegas
- Ben Cruz – FWISD
- Walter Dansby – FWISD
- Kyle Davie – FWISD
- Gary Griffith – FWISD
- Dr. Melody Johnson – FWISD
- Jim Kram – FWISD
- Kaylynn Loftis – FWISD
- Greg Miller – FWISD
- Robert Palmer – FWISD
- Steven Shepherd – FWISD
- Aaron Stone – FWISD
- Karon Tarver – FWISD
- Ray Castillo – AECOM
- Danilo Lopez – AECOM
- Kristabel Lopez – AECOM
- Conan Mathson – AECOM
- Wayne Warren – AECOM

Absent:

- James DeMoss
- Hank Johnson – FWISD
- Barb von der Heydt – FWISD
- MaryEllen Whitlock Hicks
- Gary Wiltrout – AECOM

The following items were discussed:

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Victor Garcia called the meeting to order at 6:16 pm.

A. Tour of Hazel Harvey Peace Elementary School

Eric Claycamp of Hahnfeld Hoffer Standford, architect for Hazel Harvey Peace Elementary School, presented an overview of the sustainability features within the school (attached). This video will be a part of an ongoing display that will teach students about green buildings. The project earned points for this video display.

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Mr. Claycamp along with the school's Project Manager, Danilo Lopez, guided the committee and all attendees on a tour of Hazel Harvey Peace Elementary School.

B. Approval of January 11, 2010 Minutes

The minutes of the January 11, 2010 Citizens' Oversight Committee meeting were reviewed. Changes to the minutes were noted. The minutes were approved with the noted changes.

2. Discussion of Committee Requests for Information and Distribution of Written Responses

There were no Requests for Information submitted for this meeting.

3. Progress Update

A. Capital Improvement Program Update Report

Mr. Dansby had to excuse himself due to a personal situation. He asked that the meeting continue. The AECOM Program Management Team presented a PowerPoint presentation which provided an update on the Capital Improvement Program (attached).

Questions and comments during the presentation are as follows:

Dr. Johnson reported that she has received commendations from around the State on the great job that AECOM has been doing in respect to the 2007 Capital Improvement Program and on the leadership of the FWISD CIP staff.

Dr. Johnson thanked the Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC) for the contribution of their time and expertise to the 2007 Capital Improvement Program. Dr. Johnson added that she does not know of another committee that has participated as actively as the COC.

The amount of savings generated to date was well received by the COC. Isaac Manning asked if there were restrictions on what the Capital Improvement Program's funds from savings can be utilized towards. Dr. Johnson replied that the use of the saving funds must first be approved by the Board of Education. The Capital Improvement Program's staff will present a list of recommended areas to address to the Board for their approval.

Mr. Manning then asked if any surplus funds from the 2007 Capital Improvement Program could be utilized as capital for the next Capital Improvement Program. Jim Kram responded that the surplus funds from the 2007 Capital Improvement Program could be utilized for additional Board approved construction projects or to reduce the current debt. However, the surplus cannot be carried forward to the next Capital Improvement Program.

B. Technology Update

Kyle Davie reviewed the Division of Technology's 2007 Capital Improvement Program Technology Components report (attached).

Dr. Johnson reported that Fort Worth ISD was the first large district to have Interactive White Boards (IWBs) installed in all classrooms.

Mr. Davie commented that with the use of the IWBs, a teacher was able to setup a video conference with one of the founders of Google. The video conference provided students an

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opportunity to participate in mock interviews and ask questions of the founder to further their interest in the programming field.

4. Discussion of Citizens' Oversight Committee Participation in the Next Capital Improvement Program Update to the Board of Education

Kristabel Lopez informed the Committee of the Capital Improvement Program's interest in having members of the COC present for the quarterly update of the 2007 Capital Improvement Program at the upcoming Board of Education meeting. Mr. Garcia stated that he would email members with the details of the meeting and obtain approval to send a representative.

5. General Discussion/Announcements

Larry Shaw commented on the design of Hazel Harvey Peace Elementary School. Mr. Shaw stated that he was impressed not just with the general construction of the school but also by the minor details that teachers would notice. Mr. Shaw added that the school's teachers will appreciate that the school was designed from a teacher's perspective.

Harold Hebson added that a closing charette should be held at the conclusion of the Capital Improvement Program to document the lessons learned to be used as reference for future programs.

6. Future Meetings

The next meeting of the Capital Improvement Program Citizens' Oversight Committee is scheduled for Monday, July 19, 2010 at 6:00 pm.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

APPROVED

Victor Garcia, Chair

Date

Victor M. Garcia July 19, 2010

Cc: All attendees
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