Oxnard Union High School District

Oxnard, California

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING September 23, 2009

1. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Oxnard Union High School District was called to order by Vice President Robert Q. Valles at 3:00 p.m., September 23, 2009, in the District Office Board Room, 220 South K Street, Oxnard, California.

Trustees present: Vice President Robert Q. Valles; Clerk Socorro López Hanson; and Trustees Ken Benefield and Dick Jaquez.

Trustee absent:

President Steve W. Stocks

District staff present: Interim Superintendent Dr. Bob Carter; Assistant Superintendents Dr. Rocky Valles, Human Resources; Martha Mutz, Educational Services; Randy Winton, Business Services; Directors Angelita Dalan, Fiscal Services; Stephen McFarland, Maintenance and Operations; and Executive Assistant Nancy Serros;.

Guests present: Ann Cooluris; City of Oxnard Planning Commission Chris Williamson; Representatives from WLC Architects, Inc. Larry Wolff, Karla Alonzo, Jaime Paredes, and Bob Henseley; and *Ventura County Star* Staff Reporter Marjorie Hernandez.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Trustee López Hanson led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Trustee Jáquez moved to adopt the September 23, 2009 agenda, seconded by Trustee Benefield; motion carried unanimously.

4. AUDIENCE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

There were o audience comments or communications.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Trustee López Hanson moved to adopt the Consent Calendar as submitted; seconded by Trustee Jáquez; motion carried unanimously.

5-A Adoption of Resolution No. 09/42, Resolution for Adopting the "Gann" Limit It is the recommendation of district administration that Board of Trustees approve the recalculation of actuals 2008-2009 of the computation of appropriations limit and appropriations subject to the Gann Limit and direct staff to submit this to the California State Department of Education, as presented.

Adopted

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ACTION ITEMS

It is the recommendation of district administration that Board of Trustees approve the Action Items, as listed below.

6-A CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF 2008-09 UNAUDITED ACTUALS

Trustee Benefield moved to approve the 2008-09 Unaudited Actuals, as presented; seconded by Trustee Jáquez; motion carried unanimously

7. BOARD STUDY SESSION

Administrative Staff discussed with Board of Trustees the new high school site facility on Victoria/Wooley roads.

Dr. Carter stated that, at the Board's request, it was time to move forward with discussions on building a new high school in Oxnard. Several options are available to the district such as Ormond Beach, Victoria Avenue and Wooley Road, and Rice Road; and today is an opportunity to discuss and hear the options available.

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Mr. Winton informed Trustees that the new high school project was moving along quickly and although enrollment was down this year by 142 students, the district is averaging more than 27 students per classroom and needs another high school. In addition there are 52 portable buildings at various high schools that house 1,531 students.

Mr. Winton introduced WLC Architects Inc. representatives Larry Wolff, Karla Alonzo, Jaime Paredes and Bob Hensley, hired by the district for pre-planning stages of the new high school project. WLC representatives showed Trustees various designs and pictures of other schools as models. They also outlined the general area at Wooley Road and Victoria Avenue where a new high school would be built.

Dr. Carter suggested visiting the southern California model schools built by WLC so that Trustees could get see the various building designs available. At the request of Trustees, Dr. Carter and Mr. Wolff will make arrangements for the visitations during the month of December.

Mr. Wolf stated the new Oxnard school would cost about \$90 million.

Mr. Winton informed Trustees the site is approximately 119 acres of agricultural land and acquiring the property could require eminent domain, because property owners do not want to sell the land.

Mr. Chris Williamson, Senior Planner for the city of Oxnard addressed the Board regarding the Victoria and Wooley property. Mr. Williamson informed Trustees that because the site is not within the city's "sphere of influence," the district would need the support of several agencies to build on the land, including the county Local Agency Formation Commission, the county and city of Ventura and the state Coastal Commission. He said Trustees should also consider that the site is in a coastal flood plain and probably would require modifications to building plans. He suggested looking at other possible sites, including 300 acres of farmland near the Oxnard Airport at Teal Club and Ventura roads.

In closing, Dr. Carter stated the District needed to work in a collaborative way to go through the planning process and work closely with the various agencies to help ease the process.

8. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further items of discussion on the agenda, Vice President Valles adjourned the meeting at 4:36 p.m.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Socorro López Hanson, Clerk

Bob Carter, Ed.D., Secretary

Approved as read (or approved as corrected) October 14, 2009

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