

**COALINGA-HURON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES**

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SPECIAL MEETING

6:00 P.M.

JANUARY 30, 2018

Administration Present: Mrs. Lori Villanueva, Interim- Superintendent; Jim Reckas Dir. Of MOT.

I. OPEN SESSION/CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order: President Albrecht called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Roll Call was taken as follows: Board Members Present: President Albrecht, Trustee Chavez, Trustee Campbell, Trustee Culbertson, Trustee Zavala (arrived at 6:01); Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance: President Albrecht led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was revised to change the numbering sequence of the Business Services items. The revised agenda was approved on a motion by Trustee Culbertson, seconded by Trustee Campbell, and carried with the following roll call vote: AYES: Culbertson, Campbell, Chavez, Zavala, Albrecht; NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None; ABSENT: None

II. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS – Regular Board Meeting, February 13, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. Coalinga Board Chambers.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE – Mrs. Lori Villanueva, Interim Superintendent

- a. Mrs. Villanueva thanked Jim Reckas and Luci Rogers for their hard work putting together the presentation for tonight's meeting.

V. BUSINESS SERVICES

- Presentation on the Measure R Bond – Luci Rogers, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, described the history and background of Measure R, a \$39 Million bond approved in November 2016. She then gave an update on the modernization projects showing the estimated project costs, possible state matching funds, and the estimated net cost of each project. Ms. Rogers noted that actual costs could increase due to inflation and unknown scope issues. Also noted was that State matching funds are not guaranteed and could take up to two years to receive.

Ms. Rogers explained the source of project funds and expenditures to date. These include \$9.9 million from the Measure R Series "A" proceeds, Proposition 39 Energy funds of \$900,000, \$3.7 million of the prior bond state match (\$14.5 Million total). Trustee Campbell asked if state matching funds from the prior bond was going to be used to pay off the COPS (Certificates of Participation). Ms. Rogers explained those funds were originally earmarked to pay off the COPS; but because of the fires and floods, the demand for construction is going to be high, which will drive up construction costs. An option that will be discussed later is using those funds to start the projects as soon as possible.

Jim Reckas discussed the scope increases which include the CHS modernization, bus barn paving, and a new roof at Bishop Elementary. Mr. Reckas stated the district would save money by combining the two Huron projects into one when they go out to bid.

Ms. Rogers expressed how impressed she was during a recent tour of the facilities. She stated that under Mr. Reckas' leadership, the district is saving a lot of money by having things done in-house.

Trustee Chavez asked how we can justify adding additional projects. Ms. Rogers stated that the original plans included paying off the COPS. Administration fears that it will soon be difficult to find contractors and that prices are going to escalate. By combining some of the projects, they may be more appealing to

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contractors and keep costs lower. They would like to get these projects out to bid as soon as possible, which will mean a delay in paying off the COPS, but it would be paid off before the principal becomes due and payments escalate.

New Construction Project Update: Ms. Rogers displayed the new construction projects showing the estimated project costs, possible state matching funds, and the estimated net cost of each project. These included the Huron Elementary classrooms, Huron Academy CTE, Bishop Elementary classrooms, Dawson/Sunset Special Needs classroom, and the Coalinga CTE farm which has a separate CTE facilities grant pending.

Mr. Reckas explained the possible cost savings of combining the two Huron projects.

Ms. Rogers outlined the funding sources for the new construction: By escalating the sale of the bonds and combining them, it would net approximately \$19,350,000 and any State matching funds that come in from the modernization projects. Mr. Reckas stated that costs are estimated to increase by 10% a year. And, the COPS payments will remain at a low interest rate until 2020, so an option is to expedite construction before construction costs increase and delay paying of the COPS until 2020.

Ms. Rogers showed that there would be an estimated \$11 million remaining plus interest on funds received from the Bond sale.

Trustee Chavez expressed concerns about increased projects and that we will run out of money before the projects are complete.

Mr. Reckas stated that the increased projects listed would be funded from the \$900,000 from Prop. 30.

Approval of Modernization Projects: CHS Addendum to Contract, Bishop Roof, and Bus Barn Paving was approved on a motion by Trustee Chavez, seconded by Trustee Culbertson, and carried with the following vote: AYES: Chavez, Culbertson, Campbell, Zavala, Albrecht; NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None; ABSENT: None.

Approval of Submission of all Modernization Projects to OPSC was approved on a motion by Trustee Campbell, seconded by Trustee Zavala, and carried with the following vote: AYES: Campbell, Zavala, Chavez, Culbertson, Albrecht; NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None; ABSENT: None

Approve Moving to Bid After DSA Approval of all Modernization Projects was approved on a motion by Trustee Campbell, seconded by Trustee Zavala, and carried with the following vote: AYES: Campbell, Zavala, Chavez, Culbertson, Albrecht; NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None; ABSENT: None

Approval of Submission of all New Construction Projects to OPSC – After discussion of the new constructions projects (1 HES Classroom, Huron Academy CTE, Bishop Classroom, Dawson/Sunset Special Needs Classroom, and Coalinga Academy CTE Farm), approval to submit all listed projects to OPSC was approved on a motion by Trustee Campbell, seconded by Trustee Chavez, and carried with the following vote: AYES: Campbell, Zavala, Chavez, Culbertson, Albrecht; NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None; ABSENT: None

- XV. ADJOURNMENT** There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, adjournment of the meeting at 7:00 P.M. was approved on a motion by Trustee Campbell, seconded by Trustee Chavez, and carried with the following vote: Ayes: (5) Campbell, Albrecht, Chavez, Culbertson, Zavala; NOES: None; ABSTENTION: None; ABSENT: None

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