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**School Construction Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee Regular Meeting** LAUSD HQ - Board Room 333 S. Beaudry Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90017 Thursday, August 11, 2022 10:00 a.m.

Please see the archived video of the meeting for all discussions/guestions: https://lausd.wistia.com/medias/apmcagyfp4

Committee Members Present (8): Chad Boggio, Margaret Fuentes, D. Michael Hamner, Hyepin Im, Susan Linschoten, Jennifer McDowell, Scott Pansky, Dolores Sobalvarro

Committee Members Absent (3): Jeffrey Fischbach, Samantha Rowles, Araceli Sandoval-Gonzalez

# 00:00:00 Call to Order

Ms. Fuentes called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

## 00:00:13 Chair's Remarks

Ms. Fuentes introduced herself as the new Chair of the BOC and welcomed all to the Bond Oversight Committee (BOC) meeting. She stated that this was the first meeting of the school year. She asked BOC members participating remotely to set their Interpretation Feature on the Zoom screen menu to their preferred language for simultaneous interpretation. She also thanked the KLCS staff for their production, Spanish Interpretation staff for their work in translating and other District Staff for their assistance in broadcasting this hybrid BOC meeting.

Ms. Fuentes indicated that District Staff and members of the public, who were not present in the Board Room, could watch the meeting via the BOC website www.laschools.org/bond by clicking on the live stream feature under the "Meeting Agendas" tab.

Ms. Fuentes stated that the hybrid meeting was being conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Brown Act that governs public meetings of legislative bodies. She explained that public speakers were asked to sign up using a hyperlink to a

Google form included on the agenda and posted to the BOC's website on August 5, 2022. She stated that the form was available 24 hours before the start of the meeting and would remain open for 20 minutes after the start of the meeting.

Ms. Fuentes stated that there would be a maximum of five (5) speakers for each agenda item and up to ten (10) speakers for general public comment. She stated that all public speakers would have up to 3 minutes and would be heard on phone/audio only. She also stated that public speakers with more than one agenda item would be provided 6 minutes total to make comments on all items they wished to address. She detailed the protocols for public speakers via audio and said that they should monitor the meeting through the live stream and then turn off the live stream volume when asked to speak to avoid audio echo or audio feedback. When it was the speaker's turn to speak, Ms. Zitle would announce the last four digits of the caller's phone number, and each public speaker would be instructed to unmute on Zoom, or press \*6 (star 6), to speak. She stated that in-person speakers would be asked to step up to the podium to be heard. She thanked everyone in advance for working with the Committee to accommodate speakers.

Ms. Fuentes read the Bond Oversight Committee's (BOC) mission statement:

"The mission of the Oversight Committee is to oversee the permissible and prudent expenditure of funds for the construction, repair, and modernization of schools by the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD). In order to effectively carry out that mission the Oversight Committee must remain strong and independent. That is our responsibility to the District, the teachers, the students, and the taxpayers."

Ms. Fuentes welcomed Mr. Chad Boggio to his first in-person BOC meeting. She stated that he was the alternate for Mr. Chris Hannan, representing the LA County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO.

Ms. Fuentes highlighted a new document, Exhibit 2 on page 34 of the meeting materials, that was included in the Fourth Quarterly Report of the BOC for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. She explained that it listed the volume of projects considered as well as work performed by the Committee for a total of 717 projects with a total value of approximately \$1B. She also thanked BOC members, BOC Staff, and District Staff for their work to provide modern, efficient and safe technology and facilities for students and families – in particular FSD and ITD for planning and developing bond projects.

## 00:06:43 Agenda Item 1. Public Comment

There was a public speaker who made comments on items 4, 5, 7 and 8.

## 00:13:55 Agenda Item 2. Consent Calendar (June 2, 2022 Meeting Minutes and Fourth Quarterly Report FY 2021-2022)

Mr. Pansky made a motion to move the Consent Calendar.

Mr. Hamner seconded.

# **00:14:29** The Chair asked Mr. Popejoy to conduct a roll call vote.

Ayes: 8 - Mr. Boggio, Ms. Fuentes, Mr. Hamner, Ms. Im, Ms. Linschoten, Ms. McDowell, Mr. Pansky, Ms. Sobalvarro.

Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0

**Absences: 3 -** Mr. Fischbach, Ms. Rowles, Ms. Sandoval-Gonzalez

The Consent Calendar passed.

# 00:15:31 <u>Agenda Item 3.</u> 31 Board Member Priority and Local District Priority Projects and Amend the Facilities Services Division Strategic Execution Plan to Incorporate Therein

Presenter: India Griffin, Director of Maintenance and Operations, FSD

Ms. Griffin presented 31 Board Member Priority and Local District Projects and Amendment to the Facilities Services Division (FSD) Strategic Execution Plan. The total combined budget was \$1.8M. The projects included five water bottle filling stations, nine video surveillance (CCTV) systems, one classroom furniture project, two exterior lunch table projects, one swing gate project, one classroom conversion to a dance studio, one STEAM lab, one furniture project for a multi-sensory classroom, one project to provide chairs for an auditorium, one fencing project, three secure entry system projects, one chain link fencing project, one electronic free-standing marquee project, one interactive display project, one play structure project, and one project to install infrastructure and equipment to support a culinary class. Please refer to Board Report No. 008-22/23 for further detailed information.

There was a question related to the cost difference between schools for water bottle filling stations, plumbing and water quality inspection to determine the need for a water fountain, the appearance of fencing at school sites, possible reformatting of Attachment A – Board Member Priority and Local District Priority Projects, allocation of discretionary funding for Board Members and Local District Superintendents, breakdown cost of projects – particularly water bottle filling stations and addition of a map of the District boundaries. There was a member comment related to the absence of projects in Board District 2 in this proposed set of projects and an update on the drinking water program for new members.

There was a question related to the cost breakdown of a water filling station as the average of the proposed projects was approximately \$22,000.

Mr. Boggio made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-32.

Ms. Im seconded.

**00:42:12** The Chair asked Mr. Popejoy to conduct a roll call vote on the motion.

Ayes: 8 - Mr. Boggio, Ms. Fuentes, Mr. Hamner, Ms. Im, Ms. Linschoten, Ms. McDowell, Mr. Pansky, Ms. Sobalvarro.

Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0

Absences: 3 - Mr. Fischbach, Ms. Rowles, Ms. Sandoval-Gonzalez

Resolution 2022-32 passed.

# 00:42:56 Agenda Item 4. 127 Projects to Provide Critical Replacements and Upgrades of School Building/Site Systems and Components and Amend the Facilities Services Division Strategic Execution Plan to Incorporate Therein Presenter: India Griffin, Director of Maintenance and Operations, FSD

Ms. Griffin presented 127 projects to provide critical replacements and upgrades of school building/site systems and components and amend the Facilities Services Division Strategic Execution Plan. She stated that the 120 proposed secure entrance systems projects were in alignment with the Board Resolution Res-032-17/18 *Protecting Our Students and School Sites*. She indicated that some projects reflected a cost estimate based on an average cost and not a fully detailed scope of work because the District wished to expedite the order of some equipment components that required long lead times. She said that the total combined budget for the proposed 127 projects was \$75.1M. Please refer to Board Report No. 009-22/23 for further detailed information.

Ms. Griffin described project background and scope, budget and schedule as follows:

- 1. Chatsworth Charter High School Project to Provide New Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Systems
  - Project Background and Scope: This project is to provide new heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems campus-wide.
  - Project Budget: \$52,527,074
  - Project Schedule: Construction is anticipated to begin in Q1 2025 and conclude in Q2 2028.
- 2. Cowan Avenue Elementary School Project to Provide Slope Remediation and Asphalt Paving
  - Project Background and Scope: This project is to provide new drainage, foundation, and perimeter fencing, rails and poles to
    prevent further slope erosion along the northwest area of the main playground. In addition, the project will replace approximately
    18,900 square feet of asphalt pavement on the playground, regrade for proper drainage, repair cracks, spalling, and local
    settlement at the pavement.
  - Project Budget: \$2,957,057
  - Project Schedule: Construction is anticipated to begin in Q3 2024 and conclude in Q3 2025.
- 3. Robert F. Kennedy Community Schools Project to Replace Synthetic Turf Fields
  - Project Background and Scope: This project is to replace approximately 72,000 square feet of synthetic turf on the soccer field, approximately 50,000 square feet of synthetic turf on the multi-purpose playfield, and replace the track around the multi-purpose playfield.
  - Project Budget: \$7,632,721
  - Project Schedule: Construction is anticipated to begin in Q2 2024 and conclude in Q4 2025.
- 4. Clover Avenue Elementary School Project to Provide New Roofing
  - Project Background and Scope: This project is to provide approximately 52,250 square feet of new roofing at 20 buildings, including the installation of new gutters and downspouts, and painting of affected areas.
  - Project Budget: \$1,127,881
  - Project Schedule: Construction is anticipated to begin in Q3 2023 and conclude in Q2 2024.
- 5. Odyssey Continuation High School Project to Provide New Roofing
  - Project Background and Scope: This project is to provide approximately 13,200 square feet of new roofing at one building, including the installation of new gutters and downspouts, and painting of affected areas.
  - Project Budget -- \$328,824
  - Project Schedule Construction is anticipated to begin in Q3 2023 and conclude in Q1 2024.
- 6. Walter Reed Middle School Project to Provide New Roofing
  - Project Background and Scope This project is to provide approximately 59,200 square feet of new roofing at 16 buildings, including the installation of new gutters and downspouts, skylights, and painting of affected areas.
  - Project Budget: \$1,340,124
  - Project Schedule: Construction is anticipated to begin in Q3 2023 and conclude in Q2 2024.
- 7. William Howard Taft Charter High School Project to Provide New Roofing
  - Project Background and Scope: This project is to provide approximately 100,730 square feet of new roofing at seven buildings, including the installation of new gutters and downspouts, and painting of affected areas.
  - Project Budget: \$1,900,518
  - Project Schedule: Construction is anticipated to begin in Q3 2023 and conclude in Q2 2024

There was a discussion related to the number HVAC units being replaced at Chatsworth Charter High School, corporate sponsorships for turf fields, type of HVAC unit with sustainable features, secure entry systems status, reevaluation of schools for cancellation of projects that may no longer be needed, secure entry system for secondary schools, determining factors to fund charter school projects, and number of independent charter schools that will use bond funds.

All questions were answered by Ms. Tokes, Ms. Griffin and Charter Schools Staff.

Ms. McDowell made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-33.

Mr. Pansky seconded.

**01:07:45** The Chair asked Mr. Popejoy to conduct a roll call vote on the motion.

Ayes: 8 - Mr. Boggio, Ms. Fuentes, Mr. Hamner, Ms. Im, Ms. Linschoten, Ms. McDowell, Mr. Pansky, Ms. Sobalvarro.

Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0

Absences: 3 - Mr. Fischbach, Ms. Rowles, Ms. Sandoval-Gonzalez

Resolution 2022-33 passed.

01:08:32 <u>Agenda Item 5.</u> Nine Charter School Facilities Upgrade Projects and Amend the Facilities Services Division Strategic Execution Plan to Incorporate Therein

Presenter: India Griffin, Director of Maintenance and Operations, FSD

Ms. Griffin presented nine charter school facilities upgrade projects. The projects included eight new secure entry systems pursuant to Board Resolution Res-032-17/18 *Protecting Our Students and School Sites* at various school sites to provide a secure entry system and one synthetic turf field project at El Camino Charter High School. The total budget for the nine projects was \$1.3M that includes \$911,674 allocated for the replacement of the proposed synthetic turf field. Please refer to Board Report No. 010-22/23 for further detailed information.

There were questions related to types of fields, synthetic turf field lifespan, anticipated number of turf replacements due to premature failure, clarification on settlements reached with vendors, and warranty.

Ms. Im made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-34.

Mr. Boggio seconded.

**01:20:46** The Chair asked Mr. Popejoy to conduct a roll call vote on the motion.

Ayes: 8 - Mr. Boggio, Ms. Fuentes, Mr. Hamner, Ms. Im, Ms. Linschoten, Ms. McDowell, Mr. Pansky, Ms. Sobalvarro.

Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0

**Absences: 3 -** Mr. Fischbach, Ms. Rowles, Ms. Sandoval-Gonzalez

Resolution 2022-34 passed.

01:21:29 <u>Agenda Item 6.</u> Three Sustainable Environment Enhancement Developments for Schools (SEEDS) Projects and Amend the Facilities Services Division Strategic Execution Plan to Incorporate Therein

Presenters: Krisztina Tokes, Deputy Chief Facilities Executive, FSD India Griffin, Director of Maintenance and Operations, FSD

Ms. Tokes began her presentation of three Sustainable Environment Enhancement Developments for Schools (SEEDS) with an explanation of the school campus greening program for SEEDS or SEEDS Plus projects. She indicated that the Superintendent's initiative

for the creation of green areas and outdoor spaces made necessary the use of a Greening Index to identify the school sites with the greatest need for bond investments and partnerships. She stated that FSD would be bringing forward SEEDS Plus projects and outdoor learning environmental projects for consideration. She said that the Greening Index was obtained by measuring two components: 1) Community-based need based on a data and evaluation of LA County Park and Recreation Facilities and 2) LAUSD Campus Specific Need based on an assessment of condition from the LAUSD Facilities Division. The proposed projects are in alignment with Board Resolutions, Expand Sustainable Schoolyards and Environmental Initiatives and Curriculum adopted on April 16, 2013, and Creating New School Gardens and Campus and Community-Shared Green Spaces to Provide Outdoor Learning Opportunities and Create Sustainable and Healthy Environments (Res 042-19/20) adopted on February 9, 2021.

Ms. Griffin provided a description, budget, and schedule for the proposed three SEEDS projects at Sheridan Street Elementary School, Park Avenue Elementary School and Manchester Avenue Elementary School for a total combined budget of \$350,000.

Ms. Tokes said that she would reassess Hobart ES final scores and communicate back to Ms. Im.

Ms. Griffin said that she would provide an update on the remaining funds for the SEEDS program. There was a request to add information regarding partnerships/sponsorships with schools to recognize their support. Ms. Griffin said that the school scores were not added, but she will add the information for future presentations.

There was a question related to outreach for participation in the SEEDS program, input from Local Districts, application process, remaining funds in the SEEDS program, partnerships and scores for the three proposed projects. Please visit <a href="https://www.laschools.org/new-site/seeds/">https://www.laschools.org/new-site/seeds/</a> for additional information or to apply for the program.

All questions were answered by Ms. Tokes, Ms. Griffin and Ms. Castillo.

Mr. Hamner made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-35.

Mr. Pansky seconded.

**01:40:42** The Chair asked Mr. Popejoy to conduct a roll call vote on the motion.

Ayes: 8 - Mr. Boggio, Ms. Fuentes, Mr. Hamner, Ms. Im, Ms. Linschoten, Ms. McDowell, Mr. Pansky, Ms. Sobalvarro.

Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0

Absences: 3 - Mr. Fischbach, Ms. Rowles, Ms. Sandoval-Gonzalez

Resolution 2022-35 passed.

# 01:41:30 <u>Agenda Item 7.</u> Six Accessibility Enhancement Projects, One Barrier Removal Project, and Amend the Facilities Services Division Strategic Execution Plan to Incorporate Therein

Presenter: Aaron Bridgewater, Director of Facilities Planning and Development, FSD

Mr. Bridgewater presented Six Accessibility Enhancement Projects, One Barrier Removal project, and amend the Facilities Services Division Strategic Execution Plan to incorporate therein. He provided some background about the *Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan* approved in 2017 by the Board of Education in order to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Title II and a related consent decree. He explained that the *Transition Plan* assigned a category based on the level of accessibility required for the site with more than two dozen criteria for prioritization. He presented the three types of categories for accessibility as follows:

Category One: "Key" schools with highest level access

- Generally, in accordance with applicable physical accessibility standards
- 1A: "full accessibility" schools –built to new construction standards
- 1B: "high accessibility" schools --altered with some limited exceptions

Category Two: "Program-Accessible" schools

- Core spaces and features will be accessible
- Program accessibility will be provided to all programs and activities at the school

Category Three: "Core Access" schools

A basic level of access will be provided for core buildings and certain common spaces

Mr. Bridgewater reported building area and acres, student eligibility by disability category, project scope, project budget, and project schedule for 7<sup>th</sup> Street Elementary Arts Integration Magnet, Arminta Street Elementary School, Atwater Avenue Elementary School, Chatsworth Park Elementary Urban Planning California Distinguished Magnet, Columbus Middle School, Nightingale Middle School, and Curtiss Middle School. He stated that the project to address the accessibility limitation for the removal of a barrier at Curtiss Middle School did not meet the criteria for the use funds through the Rapid Access Program (RAP). He explained that the RAP program required for a project not to exceed \$250,000. The total combined budget for the proposed projects was \$47.8M. All questions were answered by Mr. Bridgewater. Please refer to Board Report No. 007-22/23 for further detailed information.

There was a question related to historically eligible campus sites, equal access to school programs for children with disabilities, projection of enrollment of special education students at the proposed schools, scheduling of projects to tie them in with existing projects in order to provide the least disruption of school operations, a list of upcoming ADA projects, and description of "path of travel" for projects.

All questions were answered by Mr. Bridgewater and Mr. Arrington.

Ms. Im made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-36.

Ms. Sobalvarro seconded.

**02:10:54** The Chair asked Mr. Popejoy to conduct a roll call vote on the motion.

Ayes: 8 - Mr. Boggio, Ms. Fuentes, Mr. Hamner, Ms. Im, Ms. Linschoten, Ms. McDowell, Mr. Pansky, Ms. Sobalvarro.

Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0

**Absences: 3 -** Mr. Fischbach, Ms. Rowles, Ms. Sandoval-Gonzalez

Resolution 2022-36 passed.

# 02:11:38 <u>Agenda Item 8.</u> ITD BOC Quarterly Program Status Report Q2 2022 (April 1 – June 30, 2022) (Information Only) Presenter: Monica Nolen, Director of IT, Project Management, ITD

[Susan Linschoten left the meeting at 12:16p.m.]

[Chad Boggio left the meeting at 12:28p.m.]

Ms. Nolen presented the ITD BOC quarterly program status report Q2 2022 (April 1 – June 30, 2022). She began her presentation by highlighting that the Radio Communication System Modernization project had a kick-off meeting on June 1 and currently was on the phase for design, review and engineering. She also reported that the Telecommunications and Network Upgrades at 83 Schools project, for the purpose of replacing and upgrading failing and obsolete telephone networks, completed work at 74 schools, which exceeded the target of 73 schools for the second quarter of 2022. She indicated that this project may continue to be impacted by supply chain issues due to COVID.

Ms. Nolen informed the Committee that the Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity (DRBC) project experienced a delay in the timeline due to a vendor requesting additional time to complete the discovery, design and planning for a segment of the solution. She reported moving the completion date for this phase to the third quarter of 2022 without an impact to the budget. She also indicated that the Service Catalog Problem Management Module and Virtual Agent component were moved into production on May 27; but the introduction of the system was changed from the second quarter to the third quarter of 2022, at the request of the sponsors, to finalize communications before its release. She concluded stating that access to the LAUSD Mobile App was still scheduled for the fall semester.

There was a member question regarding languages available on the LAUSD Mobile App.

All questions were answered by Ms. Nolen and Mr. Le.

# 02:19:04 <u>Agenda Item 9.</u> Chief Facilities Executive's Report (Information Only) Presenter: Mark Hovatter, Chief Facilities Executive, FSD

Mr. Hovatter began his presentation providing additional information in response to earlier discussion of the SEEDS and SEEDS Plus program. He explained that a school must rank within the 20 percent or in the top 150 schools to qualify for the supplemental \$50,000 for a greening project. He moved on to present the District's Owner-Controlled Insurance Program (OCIP) that was created approximately 20 years ago when special legislation allowed contractors to use the LAUSD's insurance covering Commercial General Liability (CGL), Workers' Compensation, Excess Liability, Contractors' Pollution Liability, and Builders' Risk. He highlighted advantages, benefits and savings of approximately \$161M. brought by the OCIP.

Mr. Hovatter showed pictures of the auditorium renovation at Venice High School that required preservation of historic murals and elements. The project is at 60 percent of its completion, and it is anticipated to be completed in the third quarter of 2022 at a budget of \$2.7M.

Mr. Hovatter reported critical projects completed during the 2022 school summer break. The tables presented incorporated total campuses impacted, partial campuses impacted and ADA improvements.

Mr. Hovatter welcomed new BOC members and stated that FSD staff was available to provide training on the different programs and prioritization of projects presented for consideration of bond funding.

All questions were answered by Mr. Hovatter.

# 02:37:37 Agenda Item 10. Discussion of Non-Agenda Matters

None

**02:37:47** Ms. Fuentes, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 12:42 p.m.

Ms. Fuentes thanked BOC members, District staff and members of the public for their participation and announced that the next BOC meeting would be on September 1. She wished all a safe return to school and success throughout the year.

Minutes of August 11, 2022 approved per School Construction Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee.

/Jennifer McDowell/
Jennifer McDowell, Secretary