

RIO BRAVO-GREELEY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Monday

March 16, 2009
6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Committee Chair John Ritchie. Committee members present were Bryan Bone, Royce Fast, Nita Holland, and Gordon Walter. District Superintendent Ernie Unruh and District Chief Financial Officer Debbie Riedmiller were also present.

Those wishing to comment from the public were given the opportunity. No comments were made.

The minutes from the December 15th, 2008 meeting were presented for review and approval. A motion was made by Gordon Walter and seconded by Royce Fast for the approval of the minutes. The motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Unruh updated the committee members on the status of the project. The Phase 2 plans have been modified to meet DSA requirements. The DSA was requesting a firewall near the bathrooms. The OTC plan check passed fire and structural, but not access. The concern was the handicapped access in the bathroom. The boys bathroom needed to be reconfigured. Now Phase 2 includes the bathrooms. This Phase should be completed the first part of August making 8 classrooms available. Phase 3 has been modified to include the boys and girls locker rooms, boys and girls bathrooms, and hallway. Phase 3 will hopefully be finished by the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year. Phase 4 includes the last three classrooms (the old classrooms of Mrs. Kirby, Mrs. Bedell and Mr. Schuh). These classrooms were originally in Phase 3, but wouldn't be finished in time. The auditorium and the gymnasium have been moved to Phase 5. We are trying to eliminate as many of the portables as possible, but the band room and bathrooms will be staying. Bryan Bone asked about the cost of the firewall. Mr. Unruh estimated the cost between \$100,000 to \$150,000. Gordon Walter asked if S.C. Anderson will staying on the project. Mr. Unruh said yes. During spring break, the new phone system will be installed at Rio Bravo-Greeley. There will also be concrete work and a new roof put on the projector room during spring break.

Mr. Unruh spoke briefly about the upcoming budget shortfall. The School Board laid off 1.5 positions and issued 4 letters of non-renewal. Gordon Walter expressed that the economy is a concern. Royce Fast asked about bids being more competitive. Mr. Unruh stated that bids were more competitive, for example the concrete work bidding completed over spring break. Mrs. Ward will be retiring assuming a position similar to Mr. Edgmon's. Mr. Unruh will be coordinating Mrs. Ward's other duties. On the

kindergarten level, if an additional teacher is needed, one will be hired. Regarding the COP, Certificate of Participation for RBE, the Mello Roos and developer fees have been exhausted, but commercial development fees are still being utilized.

Mrs. Riedmiller received two quotes for a financial and performance audit done annually. The two firms were Linger Peterson, Shrum and Company with a bid of \$4,200 and Total School Solutions for \$6,500. With a recommendation from Mrs. Riedmiller and the significantly lower price, Gordon Walter made a motion to approved Linger, Peterson, Shrum and Company for the audit. Royce Fast seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

The expenditure reports were presented by Mr. Unruh line by line. For the period ending March 13, revenues were \$8,220,351.28; expenditures were \$4,126,810.42; and \$214,517.19 was deposited to the Debt Service Fund. The Building Fund had a beginning balance of \$3.34 and an ending balance of \$3,879,027.01. A motion was made by Royce Fast and seconded by Bryan Bone to accept the expenditure reports as presented. The motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Unruh brought to the committee's attention that Nita Holland, a committee member who drew a two year term and is the secretary, will need to be replaced for next year. She is the current president of the Parent Teacher Club, but her position ends at the end of the 2008-2009 school year. Nita said she would talk with the other PTC Board members and try to find a replacement for her on the committee.

The next regular meeting will be held on June 15, 2009.

A motion was made by Royce Fast and seconded by Gordon Walter to adjourn the meeting. The motion unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Nita Holland, Secretary