



**Proposition O Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee  
Special Meeting  
April 16, 2014**

**TIME:** 5:00 p.m. **PLACE:** National City Middle School  
1701 D Avenue, Room 304  
National City, CA 91950

**UN-ADOPTED MINUTES**

1. Roll Call:  
**Present:** Nick Marinovich (NM), Terrance McKearney (TM), Edgar Guerrero (EG), Ditas Yamane (DY), Kevin O'Neill (KO)  
**Absent:** David Butler (DB), Robert Carriedo (RC), Bob Strahl (BS)  
**Staff Present:** Tom Calhoun, Paul Woods
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discussion of CBOC Budget for FY 2014/2015
  - a. Request for Reimbursement of Expenses Related to Chair/Designee Attendance at May 2014 Annual Conference of California League of Bond Oversight Committees"
  - b. May 9<sup>th</sup> CaLBOC Annual Meeting request of \$500 to attend.

**(NM)** item #3, carried over from our discussion at our last regular meeting, the discussion of the CBOC Budget for 2014-15 and a component within that that relates to the CaLBOC Annual Conference next month. Mr. O'Neill has some material information/document on this issue.

Requested to staff to refresh memory on schedule for board meetings and budget.

**(TC)** Next board meeting is the 21<sup>st</sup>, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> interim will be given at the May board meeting, May revise comes out after that, which then budget needs to go final to the BOT in June, submission being worked on by the CFO's office now, we just settled with our teachers union and that has some implications on budgets, retro and other issues. Payroll is real busy this month. Final budget line items will go to BOT for approval in June, at this time is timely that it get to the CFO and be presented thru the budget process. We've already done our thru last month, it's a little late, but not so late it can't be put for consideration.

**(KO)** informed committee, Ditas, Bob Strahl and Him worked on this and it is much paired down from the first one they did for 2013, and that's primarily the relationship within the district and committee has improved. Mr. Strahl is against the budget for this, doesn't think it's appropriate, and doesn't think we need it. Ditas and him feels it's not unreasonable, which is \$6,500 which is very little relative to the money they have oversight. Commented that the district set aside \$30,000 for advertising and not sure we need this, etc. thinks this is reasonable, suggest that some of the numbers can be moved around, would suggest that the total stays the same and one the chairman

would like to have is number five for the Training/Travel, which is important. Feel the clerical, we may need to have someone do a Power Point for committee, and believes we should be taking this show on the road and presenting to the councils of the respective cities The Nights' of Columbus, Kiwanis Club Rotary, any group that gets together, so we can better explain what we're doing and how we're doing.

**(DY)** irritate to committee, this budget is really is just a budget, that it may be used or not, for a committee such as this responsibility of oversight, we need to educate ourselves, we need to educate the people, volunteering our time already to go to organizations that are already well invested, Tax Board Association, Chamber of Commerce just showing what this project is and know what's happening, not knowing are when those questions are raised.

**(EG)** are these numbers solid or would we be able to add if training/travel was more than \$1,800?

**(KO)** yes, we could draw from legal if we didn't see the need for anything legal and put it in any other categories where it is needed. And use appropriately.

**(TC)** Clarified that on travel as part of the bylaws it has to comply with the travel requirements of the district, whether it's him, Ditas you, anybody on DELAC, we need to put in for our travel arrangements for the estimated budget of that travel, even if we have a budget number established. Noted any travel has to be approved prior to any travel.

**(KO)** Agreed, if they say here's what we're going to give you, we don't have any argument about them getting it, they will just have to disburse it and not have to make an argument every time, couple of notes:

1. BOC would choose the consultant from a list of district approved firms
2. Any funds not spent would roll into the following year, they would just be lost, and subject to a new

**(PW)** clarified that each year it would be \$6,500 and not \$6,500 plus any left over.

**(KO)** agreed with Mr. Woods, that would be fine, just a new authorization of the same amount \$6,500, and may find that it's too much and would be less, or more, depending on how it goes.

**(DY)** feels this is a very conservative number, and with following all due process we need to do, we do our due diligence, asked who this proposal will be given to Mr. Calhoun or Mr. Woods for recommendation to the district.

**(TC)** so Mr. Calhoun would get it, take it to the CFO and put it in what is called a Budget Change Proposal, CFO process it thru all the things they do, with looking at funding and Superintendent is the one who recommends to BOT and the BOT acts upon budget by June so it can be adopted then sent to the County. Mentioned a lot of things can be changed at the June meeting that can happen.

**A motion was made by Mr. O'Neill, committee will make a vote and adopt the request submission of a total budget of \$6,500 for fiscal year 2014-15 to the CFO for inclusion in the budget proposal, seconded by Ditas Yamane, and motion passed unanimously, 5-0-3, Bob Strahl, against.**

**(NM)** CaLBOC has their Annual Conference on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014, will not be applying for anything, since last issues, it's coming up and probably too late to ask BOT. Doesn't want to pay out of pocket, since already has over \$1,000 out of pocket not paid yet.

**(KO)** suggested that Chair doesn't have to go every time it may benefit other members going, thought you are an officer, we need to be in a timelier manner next time.

**(TC)** suggested chair put in the request to him, he would sign it and forward to the BOT for action, and then the BOT would approve it or not, risking financial impact.

**A motion was made by Mr. O'Neill; we will make a request for \$500 for a CBOC Member to attend the CaLBOC Annual Meeting, seconded by Nick Marinovich, motion passed unanimously, 5-0-3.**

**(DY)** asked for clarification, this request given to Mr. Calhoun, he will than request from the BOT.

**(TC)** this one has a timing issue that needs to be taken care of before the board meeting, basically him to superintendent, other part is if someone is going to go, they need to get their tickets quick, its two weeks out.

**(DY)** asked staff what's the timeline, a week or if it's approved or not. **(TC)** will know by this week since he'll be leaving from board meeting to conference, will let him know at the latest by board meeting when you do chair report.

4. Staff Announcements – Next CBOC Meeting May 14, 2014

**(TM)** commented he enjoyed the Topping Out Ceremony.

**(KO)** asked if the Robotics came from Eastlake, they won the western in Colorado, they are in St. Louis. Mentioned helped kids that parents couldn't afford airfare with sponsors.

**(EG)** mentioned a meeting at ELM for the district, **(TC)** ELCAP, Ramon Leyba will be conducting that meeting, talking about getting public input for the local patrol funding, anyone who would like to attend please say we need more money in deferred maintenance.

**(PW)** we now have a full page of SUHSD Currents, construction corner, we featured, MOH is one this issue, previous advertised NCM, and the BAN official statement is now on official bond documents.

**(DY)** was there a press release; **(TC)** Manny Rubio was here and press KUSI & FOX News.

**(DY)** requested a copy of the press release to include in her publication.

5. Adjourn at 5:27 p.m.

**Note:** This is a special meeting and therefore public comment is only permitted on the above agenda items. Public comment on items not on the agenda will be part of the regular Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) meeting on May 14, 2014.