



# WEST HILLS COLLEGE COALINGA

WEST HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
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## DRAFT MINUTES OF THE CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (SFID) No. 1 - MEASURE Q

**DATE:** Thursday, October 17, 2013  
**TIME:** 6:30 p.m. (dinner at 6:00 p.m.)  
**LOCATION:** North District Center  
Firebaugh, CA

**COC Attendees:** Miguel Arias, Gilbert Coelho, and Dr. Marcia Sablan.

**Other Attendees:** Maria Rangel, Linda Torres, Byron Woods, Marcel Hetu, Richard Treece, Carole Goldsmith, and Ken Stoppenbrink

### 1. Call to Order

- A. Flag Salute
  - a. Marcel Hetu led the flag salute.
- B. Public Comments
  - a. Marcel Hetu introduced Maria Rangel and Linda Torres (members of UC Davis) who use our facilities as part of the Obesity Research Grant in Firebaugh. We are on their Advisory Board and they have hired some of our students to conduct different parts of their grant.

### 2. Action Items

- A. Consideration of approval of minutes
  - a. Due to a lack of quorum the minutes from May 7, 2013 will be carried forward for approval at the next meeting.
- B. Meeting Schedule 2014
  - a. Following discussion March 20, 2014 and September 18, 2014 were decided upon as being the next meeting dates.

### 3. Information/Discussion/Presentations

- A. Introductions
  - a. Introductions were made in a round table fashion.
- B. Committee Membership/Re-elections (Carole Goldsmith)
  - a. President Goldsmith discussed non-attendance concerns further with today's attendees. By-laws state under: Removal; Vacancy. The Board may remove any Committee member for any reason, including failure to attend two (2) consecutive Committee meetings without reasonable excuse or for failure to comply with the Committee Ethics Policy. Upon a member's removal, his or her seat shall be declared vacant. The Board, in accordance with the established appointment process shall fill any vacancies on the Committee. Vacant seats that are filled will be for the two (2) year term and shall be effective as of the date of the Board action/ approval. Further discussion followed.
- C. Potential Shared Use with MHS
  - a. President Goldsmith reported that a MOU will be presented to Mendota Joint Unified School District for a Health Academy at Mendota High School. She also

discussed different programs/courses we have started at the high school and what programs we might start in the future.

- D. Measure Q/SFID 1 Projects, Cash Flow and Expenditures
  - a. Byron Woods distributed copies of and discussed the WHCCD NDC School Facilities Improvement District – 1 completion recap document dated September 30, 2013 which included projects, completed projects and closed projects. Questions were asked related to the external and internal design of the projected new Center. Byron and Carole elaborated on the partnerships with the county library, UC Davis, and Workforce Connection. Additionally, there was discussion about the meetings that staff and students hold (think about the greatest utilization and flexibility of different aspects of the new complex).
  - b. Byron Woods also discussed the financial projections related to the new complex.
  - c. Both Byron Woods and Ken Stoppenbrink discussed their thoughts about the state trying to pass different bonds, including one for water and one for educational projects. They stated that it appears the push is to have a water bond in 2014 and an educational project bond in 2016.
  
- E. Outreach/Learning Centers Update
  - a. President Goldsmith reported one class will be offered at Tranquility High School (AOJ – contract education) and two classes will be offered at the San Joaquin Center (BUS 13A and IS1). Discussion followed about what other future courses might be offered, as well as the courses WHC is offering at Mendota High School. Discussion about online courses at Firebaugh High School occurred and what future offerings might be.
  
- F. Property Acquisition
  - a. Ken Stoppenbrink and President Goldsmith discussed the philosophy behind purchasing the properties and what the plans are to utilize the properties currently and when a state bond passes. They also answered questions related to the current landscaping plans, and the status of the sod being placed on the properties. Ken Stoppenbrink mentioned that there are no future plans to purchase more property by the District at this time.

#### 4. Announcements and Upcoming Events

- A. The next meeting of the Citizens Oversight Committee for SFID 1 will be March 20, 2014.

#### 5. Committee Members Comments and Requests

- A. Nothing further was discussed at this time.

#### 6. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.