

MEETING NOTES

OHLONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING  
March 13, 2017

LOCATION:  
FREMONT CAMPUS,  
BUILDING 7, ROOM 7101  
43600 MISSION BOULEVARD  
FREMONT, CA 94539  
(510) 659-6000

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**CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Dan Chang Representative, Senior Citizens Organization  
Dr. Rakesh Sharma Representative, Foundation  
Karen Koshy Representative, At Large

**CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, MEMBERS ABSENT**

Jarna Patel Representative, Associated Students of Ohlone College  
Luzviminda Macabitas Representative, At Large  
VACANT Representative, Business Organization  
Eric Tsai Representative, Tax Payers Association

**OHLONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, STAFF PRESENT**

Dr. Gari Browning President  
Susan Yeager Vice President, Administrative Services  
Robert Dias Bond Construction Director  
Farhad Sabit Director of Business Services  
Elaine Trujillo Staff  
Leticia Perez Assistant to the V.P., Administrative Services  
Arti Damani Accountant, Business Services

**GUESTS**

Mike Chegini Gilbane, Communications Manager  
Joel Heyne Gilbane, Measure G Bond Senior Project Manager  
Ann Kennedy Gilbane, Measure G Bond Financial Manager

Optional Tour Attendance

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) meeting was called to order by Committee Chair, Karen Koshy, at 6:07 PM. All CBOC Committee Members were present, except Eric Tsai, Jarna Patel and Luz Macabitas, who were absent. The absence of a quorum was noted.

**I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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Agenda was not approved. Information items were discussed, no action items were voted on.

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### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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No minutes were approved.

### III. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE REPORT

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Committee Chair Karen Koshy presented the attendance report to the Committee. The committee expressed no concerns.

### IV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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No communications from committee members.

### V. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE STAFF

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Vice President Susan Yeager indicated that we have had an interest in one of the CBOC seats; Mr. Chris Brown is interested and all the pertinent documents have been forwarded to him. The Ohlone Measure G 15/16 Annual Report was presented and approved at the last Board meeting (2/8/17). A special thanks to the entire committee for all their work on this.

### VI. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

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No communications from the public.

### VII. RECOGNITION OF SERVICE

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Dr. Browning acknowledged Dr. Rakesh Sharma for his time served with the CBOC with a framed certificate of appreciation. "Dr. Sharma has served three terms on this committee; this is his last meeting."

Dr. Sharma thanked all the members and staff, indicated that it was fun, and he will miss it. He will still be around to support Ohlone.

### VIII. UPDATE ON MEMBERSHIP

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Vice President Susan Yeager stated that recruitment is an ongoing effort. We have recently advertised the CBOC vacant seat in the Tri Cities newspaper, the Argus newspaper and website, as well as Newark and Fremont Chambers of Commerce. The position was also mentioned at the President's Advisory Committee meeting on 3/10/17. If anyone knows of someone that would like to serve as a member at large or a business member please let us know so that we can contact him or her. Please encourage them to apply.

*Karen Koshy: I mentioned our open seat at my last Rotary meeting.*

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### IX. MEASURE G PROJECT UPDATE

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Joel Heyne, Senior Project Manager for Gilbane presented on the Fremont Geothermal Loop and other technology projects.

*Karen Koshy: For the furniture part, does this go through a bid?*

*Robert Dias: Typically yes, but there are restrictions.*

*Susan Yeager: The RFP lists what is allowed, what vendors; it gives the District a better value.*

*Karen Koshy: Do we always go with the lowest bid?*

*Robert Dias: We need to follow State guidelines, which meet requirements of college, we need to do mock-ups of furniture, align it with the needs of the district, for students and staff.*

*Susan Yeager: This is different than that of a construction bid.*

*Dr. Rakesh Sharma: Is all the money coming from the Bond for FF&E?*

*Robert Dias: Items you see listed, FFE for Academic Core Project of \$7.5mil, includes all the furniture and equipment.*

Joel Heyne discussed the Fremont Geothermal Loop Project, which is well underway. It will use the earth to heat and cool the three new buildings; this includes the closed loop piping system.

*Dr. Rakesh Sharma: Will more be needed?*

*Dr. Gari Browning: We will do a capital campaign to augment this.*

*Karen Koshy: Will the Geothermal Loop system meet all of the ACB needs?*

*Joel Heyne: It will meet most of its needs; we will still need to use boilers and coolers.*

Joel Heyne discussed how the system will be maintained and monitored in respects to filtration and contamination. Alameda County Water District is providing and working with us in oversight of the system. He further stated that tests had been done on the system prior to its conception, as well as simulated tests to see how it would hold during an earthquake; the system is made to work well with the earth. The system, in the end, will reduce maintenance, equipment replacement, water, and electricity bills.

### X. MEASURE G FINANCIAL UPDATE

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Ann Kennedy briefly reviewed the financial reports and noted that spending is aligned with what is happening out on the construction sites. No action taken.

### XI. TECHNOLOGY ENDOWMENT UPDATE

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Ann Kennedy briefly explained the sale of bonds, the guidelines for the use of funds, and reviewed interest earnings. These funds are now available for spending. The District has a spending plan for the funds and it will be moving forward. The Board of Trustees passed a resolution approving the use of these funds as well as clarifying language at the March 8, 2017 meeting.

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*Dr. Rakesh Sharma: What do you mean by clarifying language?*

*Ann Kennedy: We wanted to make sure that all were clear and on the same page about where the money could be spent.*

*Dr. Gari Browning: Calling it a tech endowment was a bit misleading, we wanted to broaden the scope and to remind them of its intended use.*

*Susan Yeager: The spreadsheet that is a backup for this includes not only technology, but equipment, and small capital projects, and we wanted to make sure everyone was aware.*

*Ann Kennedy: These are all allowable expenditures and have been reviewed by bond counsel.*

*Karen Koshy: So the name is misleading?*

*Ann Kennedy: Yes, that is "local language" and we wanted to provide clarification for transparency.*

**XII. TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING**

Discussion on member attendance

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

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The meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM.