

**ATWATER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
M I N U T E S
CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
JULY 18, 2006**

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Nelson Crabb at 5:10 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was lead by Nelson Crabb

III. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Committee members present: Dorothy Bizzini, Nelson Crabb, Barbara Dockery, Audrey Sumpter, John Thompson. Also present was Marisa Ploog, CPA, Assistant Superintendent. Member absent was Jim Murphy.

IV. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM APRIL 11, 2006. ACTION

MOTION by John Thompson, SECOND by Dorothy Bizzini to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2006 COC meeting. MOTION CARRIED by a vote of 5-0. ABSTENTION none.

VI. FINANCIAL REPORT ON BOND MONIES

Marisa Ploog said that due to the change in the County System, the previous year's expenditures couldn't yet be printed out but that she would present a more specific breakdown to the Committee when accessible.

VII. COMMENTS FROM COC MEMBERS

Dorothy Bizzini asked about money being held over due to some unfinished work at Aileen Colburn and Bellevue. Marisa Ploog addressed these issues separately.

AILEEN COLBURN

- data receptacles - needed replacement and correction. The connectivity issue has been taken care of;
- carpet – the sub contractor issued a stop notice to the contractor because the employees of the

sub contractor feel they have not been paid prevailing wage. As a result, the District is holding on to approximately \$42,000.00 because there was no follow through to replace the carpet which was rejected by the District. Attorneys for the District are in contact with the contractor and will be pursuing action against their performance bond. The cost of the quote to replace the carpet and the wage issue exceeds the money we have in retention. As a result, there has been no “notice of completion” filed. John Thompson then asked if, in the future, we should possibly retain more money. Marisa stated that she felt the issue wasn’t necessarily retaining more money but rather quicker action taken on behalf of the District and whoever is overseeing the project. Marisa said that when issues come up, they should be dealt with immediately, rather than wait until nearing completion to address them.

Dorothy Bizzini asked if the replacement of the carpet cost ended up being more than we had in retention, would the District be obligated to pay the difference. Marisa stated that we would not be responsible for the difference because their bond states that they are responsible for what is stated in the contract.

BELLEVUE - MODERNIZATION

- notice of completion has been filed with Roek Construction

BELLEVUE – EXPANSION

- food court cover has been installed but there is a small amount of painting that needs to be taken care of;
- data lines, electrical and water complete and we are able to start the new school year.

THOMAS OLAETA MODERNIZATION

- working with Jack Schrader & Associates to apply for funding and applications will be going to the State for approval in the near future;
- Marisa stated that because of technological upgrades since the beginning walk through process of each project, and the fact that she hasn’t been involved since the beginning; she has contacted Architechnica to schedule a meeting to go over upgrades and be brought up to speed regarding the project. We are on target thus far with the modernization.

It was suggested by Nelson that perhaps another walk through by the Committee could take place. It was agreed that a walk through could be scheduled in upcoming months.

Marisa went back to the Financial Report and asked if there was anything specific the committee members would like to look at. Dorothy Bizzini asked if she could break down individual sites so as to look at the specific expenditures to see how close we were to allocations. Marisa stated that she would. Marisa explained that the county system was undergoing change and that once the change was complete, financial reports would be more user friendly.

John Thompson asked when the next COC meeting was scheduled to be held. The meeting will be held the second Tuesday in October.

VIII. ADJOURN

MOTION by Dorothy Bizzini, SECOND by Audrey Sumpter to
Adjourn the meeting to adjourn the meeting at 5:40. MOTION CARRIED by a vote of 5-0.