

Minutes
Citizens Oversight Committee
April 3, 2023
District Office Board Room
5:30 pm

- **Present:** Jerry Boudreaux, Bob Archer, Steve Spencer, Marlene Gillis, Candy Posey, Tara Townley, Bill Masei, Lee Schlenker, Gary Suderman, Tami Montague, Jennifer Reinhardt, Natalie Castillo, Jasmine Gilbert (Junior at DHS, Intern with the Dallas Chamber of Commerce)

- **Welcome**
 - Meeting called to order at 5:31 p.m.

- **Approval of Minutes**
 - Motion made by Lee Schlenker to approve minutes from March 7, 2023 meeting, motion seconded by Candy Posey, motion carried, minutes are approved.

- **Financial Update**
 - No Financial Update available

- **Glen Miller Resigning**
 - A thank you letter will be drafted to Glen for his service to the COC
 - Bill and Tara will speak with Charlie Mitchell, City of Dallas, about possibly joining the COC as a replacement for Glen. Nomination will need to be approved by the School Board.
 - Suggestion by Jennifer to approach Law Enforcement as a replacement, will be followed up on.
 - Residency requirements need to be followed up on before selecting a new member
 - Tara considering co-chair position – will be discussed at next meeting

- **Jerry's Interim Report**
 - Jerry presented the COC's prioritization list at the March 14th School Board meeting due to the funding not matching the current needs and wants list.
 - LuAnn Meyer, member of the School Board, suggested implementing a Construction Excise Tax (CET) and/or another Bond Measure. Committee unsure that another Bond would pass but that the CET would be ok. CET operates outside of school funding so state funding would not be affected.

- Tami will share what a CET is and what can and cannot be done with it. It will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.
- CET has to be used for facility type of projects such as maintenance, facilities and improvements, but it operates outside of state school funding and does not reduce the funding allocation.
- The chair requested that Bob include in his report to the School Board that the COC acknowledges the request and will take it up at the next COC meeting.

- **Seismic Bid Update**
 - Final bid received for high school. Cut \$560K from bid but still about \$350 - \$375K over. Cooling/HVAC removed from the gym budget.

- **New Business**
 - Jerry asked all committee members to create a priority list as individuals, small groups and to make a list to take to the school board. The majority agreed that Ballot Title Summary - Improve Safety/Secure Access to Schools and Soderstrom Ballot Reconciliation – Safety and Security (vestibule, door access control, cameras, paging systems and fire alarms) as the main priority.
 - Steve Spencer spoke with Chemeketa about “buying” the lease that they have on the building. The district owns the land that the building is on, Chemeketa is leasing it for 50 years, Bond language does not allow for purchase of new property.

- **Discussion of Next Meeting**
 - Next Meeting Date – May 2, 2023 5:30 p.m. District Office Board Room

- **Public Input**
 - None at this time

- **Adjourn**
 - Motion made by Lee Schlenker, motion seconded by Tara Townley. Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Committee Chair **Jerry Boudreaux**

Date

Committee Secretary **Natalie Castillo**

Date