



WEST HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Board of Trustees
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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

July 7, 2008



CALL TO ORDER / OPEN SESSION

This meeting of the Governing Board of the West Hills Community College District was held via conference call. President Mark McKean called the meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 9:13 a.m.

Board members present:

Mark McKean
Nina Oxborrow
Edna Ivans
Jack Minnite
Steve Cantu

Board members absent:

Bill Henry
Jeff Levinson

Administrators present:

Frank Gornick, Chancellor
Ken Stoppenbrink, Vice Chancellor of Business Services
Frances Squire, Director of Marketing

Introduction of Guests

There were no guests introduced at this time.

Public Comments

There were no public comments made at this time.

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE

CO - 1 School Facilities Improvement District #2 (Coalinga Area) - Dr. Frank Gornick explained that the Board of Trustees will consider the awarding of the West Hills College Coalinga Wellness Center and West Hills College Lemoore Multi-Use Sports Complex projects at the July Board meeting. The lowest bidder for the Lemoore project has withdrawn and the bid will go to the second lowest bidder, Lewis C. Nelson and Sons, Inc.

Elections for the SFIDs are taking place in November 2008. If the SFIDs fail, the district will be liable for \$10 million to cover these projects. Dr. Gornick informed the trustees that, as a last option, the district can withdraw the \$10 million out of the COP fund. He also stated that he has spoken to the Chancellor's Office in regard to re-bidding if the bond fails but, if that is the case, the project may be pushed back. However, he is having discussions with the Chancellor's Office to keep this from happening if at all possible.

Trustee Cantu stated that he did not like the option of pulling funds out of the COP fund. He would recommend not awarding the projects until after the SFID elections. President McKean and Trustee Minnite agreed with Trustee Cantu's recommendation.

The other matter of discussion is the School Facilities Improvement District for the Coalinga area. It was originally discussed that the district office would be added in order to increase the size of the bond. However, if added, the assessment would go from \$19 to \$22 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. Dr. Gornick stated that he would like to remove the district office project and keep the assessment at \$19 as originally proposed. Trustee Ivans agreed. Trustee Oxborrow commented that she would like to have more discussion on this issue. President McKean explained that he and Dr. Gornick discussed this issue and will bring it back to the full board for discussion. Trustee Oxborrow expressed her concern that repairs are the only thing being done in Coalinga and she would like to see a new project, not just maintenance. Dr. Gornick explained that Coalinga does not qualify for extra space until more growth is achieved. Trustee Oxborrow stated she understood.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 a.m.

Nina Oxborrow
Clerk of the Board of Trustees