

**GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

Sierra Vista Culinary Department, SV 280

November 6, 2023

4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m

Present: Zanku Armenian, Vice Chair; Roberta Hagopian; Monica Campagna; Tina Parsegian; Daniel Kim; Ladonna Larrea.

Resource: Amir Nour

Absent: Harry Leon, Chair; Alex Parajon; James Spencer.

Quorum: Majority of members

Guests: Silva Sorkazian; Patrick Shahnazarian; Cliff Gimbert.

Call to Order

1. The meeting was called to order by Amir Nour at 4:35 pm.
2. Approval of August 14, 2023 minutes
MSC (Hagopian/Campagna) to approve the minutes of August 14, 2023. Motion passed unanimously.
3. **Measure GC Progress Report** – Silva Sorkazian
Silva Sorkazian, Interim Assistant Director of Facilities gave a brief report on the progress of Measure GC construction. Highlights are:

Original bond measure	\$325	million
with interest	\$329	million
Total cost to complete	\$328.6	million
Program Reserve (as of October, 2023)	\$13.1	million
Total spent to date is \$253,466,305 million.		

Highlights of Ongoing projects through October 2023:

- a) Buena Vista (New Science Building) – construction 90% complete; project budget at completion estimate: \$123.5 million; occupancy in Spring 2024.
- b) Kinesiology & Vaquero Athletic Complex – construction 99% complete; project budget at completion estimate: \$46.8 million
- c) Camino Real Renovation – design 5% complete; target completion in Fall 2025; project budget at completion estimate: \$14.5 million. Supplementary funding: Senator Portantino \$4.5 million for Virtual Reality Equipment; Congressman Schiff \$1.5 million for Student Success. GCC will be the only community college with this virtual reality program. Cliff Gimbert explained the definition of Esports wherein gamers compete against each other for large cash prizes.
- d) Entertainment Technology Academy (EnTech) – This program Entertainment Technician Program located in Sierra Nevada building will train students to set up for live entertainment events. Construction is 99% complete; project budget at completion estimate: \$200,000; anticipated completion in Winter 2024.
- e) Facilities Master Plan (2025-2035): After a comprehensive review of RFPs, 19Six Architect was awarded this project pending Board of Trustees approval. The contract is for \$353,000. Silva explained the purpose of the Facilities Master Plan. It is done typically every ten years. It is a framework that provides a layout for the future growth and development by reviewing all the facilities and recommending best uses. This review is expected to be completed by summer 2024. The results of the findings of the Master Plan enable the college to qualify for funding.

Projects on Hold:

- a) Montrose campus building
- b) IBCC – No construction after design has been DSA Approved.
- c) Safety & Security: original project was to instal automated door locks and security cameras campus wide however it proved to be too expensive. The newly constructed buildings have this infrastructure/advanced software in place. As for existing buildings, this has been put on hold.
- d) In response to Vice Chair Zanku Armenian's inquiry on the inconsistencies in construction budget costs, Ms. Sorkazian explained that when Measure GC passed in 2017 there were no contingencies made for rising costs. Between 2017 and 2022 there have been significant increases in cost of construction. For example, IBCC building, which does not have funding at this time, although it is DSA approved, valid for 4 years.
- e) Regarding the status of the former Citibank building at the Montrose Campus, Amir Nour reported that there is a possibility of renting the property which is currently not in use.
- f) There was discussion about an idea brought up by Roberta Hagopian of putting the GCC lettering on the Buena Vista building (New Science Building). There were 3 options of these presented to the committee. Silva said she will present them to the president for his review and selection.

4. Board Reports (informational)

No comments or inquiries were made on the Board Reported Measure GC balance and schedule updates for the months of August, September and October, 2023.

- 5. Other**
None

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:37 pm.

- 7. Tour of Welding Department, Tongva Building.**