

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

MINUTES

Garfield Campus

Mariposa Building, Community Room 103

August 14, 2023

4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m

Present: : Harry Leon, Chair; Zanku Armenian, Vice Chair; James Spencer; Roberta Hagopian; Monica Campagna; Tina Parsegian.

Resource: Amir Nour

Absent: Alex Parajon; Daniel Kim, Ladonna Larrea

Quorum: Majority of members

Guests: Ryan Cornner; Patrick Shahnazarian; Silva Sorkazian, Alfred Ramirez, Ramona Barrio-Sotillo, Ali Kobaissi.

Call to Order

1. The meeting was called to order by Amir Nour at 4:54 pm.
2. Election of Officers (Chair and Vice Chair)
 - a) Harry Leon nominated and elected unanimously as Chair.
 - b) Zanku Armenian was nominated and elected unanimously as Vice Chair.

3. Approval of May 1, 2023 meeting minutes

MSC – (Armenian/Hagopian) to approve the minutes of May 1, 2023 as presented. The motion passed with one abstention.

Rosa to request RSVP from members of meeting announcements.

4. Introduction of new Committee Member – Mr. James Spencer

Mr. James Spencer introduced himself to the committee. A big supporter of the GCC Foundation, he has been a board member since 2009. He is also a member of the Foundation's Grants Committee. He has been associated with GCC for over 40 years and lives in Pasadena.

5. Measure GC Progress Report

Silva Sorkazian, Interim Assistant Director of Facilities gave a brief report on the progress of Measure GC construction. Highlights are:

- Garfield campus, which the committee toured today led by Dr. Alfred Ramirez, is a 3-story building which was completed in February, 2021.
- The parking and landscape projects were completed in the fall of 2022. Two hundred thirty five parking spaces were added.

Measure GC bond funds:

Original bond measure	\$325 million
With interest	\$328.3 million
Total cost to complete	\$328.6 million
Camino Real Renovation (as of July 2023)	\$14.5 million
Program Reserve (as of July 2023)	\$13.1 million

Total spent to date is \$238.9 million. There is a balance of \$33 million after reserving \$13.1 million for program emergencies. \$41 million still outstanding to be paid on ongoing projects. Upon the suggestion of committee member, Roberta Hagopian, the Facilities Department is considering placing a vinyl wrap with GCC on the vents on top of Buena Vista building. It is estimated to cost around \$50,000.

Please see attached report for details.

- GCC was able to free up \$14.5 million by placing the IBCC construction project on hold for the Camino Real renovation. Dr. Cornner gave details of this renovation:

Top floor renovation of classroom.

Bottom floor will consist of a virtual reality center. This project is headed by DreamScape. Program will enable full avatar motion captured interaction when wearing googles. The only other campus with this technology is Arizona State University, which has an extremely high enrollment. There will be 2 sit-down labs with different joysticks; virtual reality. It will be used for outreach and live classroom instruction.

Thanks to Senator Portantino, GCC is set to receive the largest of earmark funds in the amount of \$4.5 million to cover technology costs, and hardware. Dr. Cornner stated that the future of computer science at GCC is going to be phenomenal, and he went on to identify the following 3 core areas of this:

- 1) AI (Artificial Intelligence)
- 2) Game Design
- 3) Data Science

Other core areas are (a) public safety features (includes state wide degree requirement to be a police officer – degree in modern policing, and (b) entertainment.

With regard to the Facilities Master Plan, a recommendation to the Board is being made for it to be awarded to 19six Architects.

6. Board Reports (informational)

No comments or inquiries were made on the Board Reports for the months of May, June, and July, 2023.

7. Other

The next meeting will include a tour of the Welding Department.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:32 pm.