

Bond Committee Meeting Notes - December 10, 2015

Welcome! - Larry Inman

Inman explained how this final meeting will unfold with sub-group and whole-group activities designed to help reach consensus so a report and final project list can be made to the Board.

Bond Project List Prioritization Overview - Sid

Sid reviewed the updated project spreadsheet by major category- "Student Growth Solutions," "Safety & Security," "Technology," "Renovation," and "Districtwide Improvements" (previously prioritized by the group as 1, 2 and 3). Then, the Results of Project Prioritization including estimated costs was shared w/the group.

There was a question about the advantages/benefits of the LEED Certification designation for a new building.

The impact of the building being designated NetZero was explained by Sid as well as how Encore had helped in the payment of part of the solar panels for Lee Elementary.

Sid discussed the items and how they were categorized on the spreadsheet.

Board Meeting Preparation Activity - Larry

Activity 1: Groups were given 15 minutes to discuss whether they would make any changes to the prioritization of the projects after seeing the cost results and why.

Activity 2: Groups were given 25 minutes to list ten items from the project list they felt most strongly about being included on the final list for the Board and to state/list why each item was so important to keep.

Activity 3: Groups were given 15 minutes to list five reasons why they would support a May 2016, bond election with the projects being recommended.

Activity 4: Groups were given 15 minutes to indicate whether or not they believed there was a maximum acceptable threshold for the dollar amount of the next bond election? If yes, state that limit and why as well as whether or not there is a dollar amount in the average household that they believe to be too high/unacceptable?

Larry explained that the group was at the point of making specific project inclusion/exclusion decisions. Any line item project that didn't have approval of the majority of the whole group would be cut. In other words, if the project only receives 50% of the groups' support, it would be cut.

Once that exercise was completed, the group was asked to indicate if there were any items on the "less than 50% approval" list that should be reconsidered.

The first question was whether or not this group was deciding that the standard for future elementary schools would be to be designated as a LEED campus.

Tables shared basic consensus looking at around \$250 million which meant the group would need to cut about \$12-13 million in projects.

Sid explained that CISD had worked closely with the district's architects and that the dollar amounts should be very close to the quotes provided.

Dr. Waldrip discussed technology needs including the number of devices being used/demand on our network, the infrastructure and the lack of a good disaster recovery plan. Examples were the power spikes we experienced at the beginning of the year. Getting the Tier I systems going, wireless access is essential at the campuses for reliable access for learning.

Each color category (red, yellow, green) was discussed and votes were taken for each. Agreement was reached that all projects appearing in the "red" category should be eliminated. The group consensus (except for 1 vote) was that everything in the "green" and "yellow," categories would be presented to the Board.

There was some additional discussion about programming for the 9th grade center prior to the bond going out, so any questions asked by the public could be addressed.

Thoughts and comments on what to do if the number from the Board exceeds \$250,000,000: Committee wanted staff to make sure the Board considers the community and its tax payers when making such a decision.

The question about CISD's stance on whether or not the district will need another bond within the next three to five years.

Susie Kemp shared her appreciation to the committee.

Dev and Larry will be making the presentation to the Board on Monday, December 14, and all Bond Committee members are welcome!

Closing and Thank You's

out.

Anything ~~over~~ under 50/50 cut on ^{priority} _{activity}
22 voting people 20 vote | abstain | no

Cut priority 3
15 for 5 keep

Keep all Green and Yellow
21