

## **Community Bond Oversight Committee**

March 11, 2025, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Community Bond Oversight Committee met March 11, 2025 at AISD Central Office, 4000 IH 35 Frontage Rd. Austin, TX 78704 to consider, discuss and take action on the items of the agenda below. These meeting minutes are supplemented by meeting materials. More information can be found at the 2017 Bond Program Website & 2002 Bond Program Website.

Members in Attendance: Ann Phipps, Anna Valdez, April Clark, Barbara Spears-Corbett, Jennifer Carson, Kay Gooch, Larry Huang, Richard Kelly, Ryan Pollock

**Staff & Consultants in Attendance**: Andre Andrews, Catherine Martinez, Christine Steenport, Dinita Caldwell, Jada Simpson, Jaime Miller, Jamelle Bennett, John Kelly, Katrina Montgomery, Katy Fitzgold, Laura Browder, Melissa Laursen, Michael Mann, Mitch Evans, Omar Gomez, Rufo Reyes, Ryan Marcum

## **AGENDA**

AGENDA ITEM	Presenter	
Call to Order	Co-Chairs	Call to order by Richard Kelly at 6 pm, second by April Clark.
Public Comment (2 mins per comment, max 10 mins)	Jada Simpson	None
Approval of Minutes: February 11, 2025	Co-Chairs	Motion to approve minutes by Anna Valdez, second by April Clark.
Communications  ■ Social Media / News Events ■ CAT & Community Meetings	Melissa Laursen	Melissa Laursen presented information on recent media posts, CAT and community meetings, and milestone events.  April Clark asked if there are building tours scheduled as part of ribbon cutting events. Michael Mann confirmed that there are tours during those events.
Finance	Andre Andrews	Andre Andrews presented on the bond financials stating that construction is now complete for the 2013 Bond and closeout should be complete next month.  April Clark asked how the district covers the \$4.5M deficit from the 2017 Bond?  Andre explained that it is covered with cost-savings from other 2017 projects.  Katrina added that the \$4.5M includes the \$8.4M in commitments.
Economic Opportunity Office	Dinita Caldwell	Dinita Caldwell presented updates on the Economic Opportunity Office, reporting that the department is meeting its goal in professional services and exceeding its goal in construction.

## CMD 2022 Modernization/Comprehensive Projects

- Prop B Update
- Delco

Michael Mann & Program Managers Laura Browder reported on Prop B updates. Ann Phipps asked about the process for testing speakers at schools. Laura explained they are tested after hours by turning on the PA system, playing music and walking from room to room to see if each speaker is working properly. Larry Huang asked about the relationship between technology and academics. Laura answered that technology was not the driver. Academics determines the goal for students and how tech can support that.

Michael Mann and Ryan Marcum then reported on the status of modernization projects noting that in a couple of weeks the district will have 22 projects in construction. Richard Kelly asked if there were any projects not yet in negotiations. Michael confirmed all the modernization projects were listed on the slide and that only some targeted projects were not yet in negotiations.

Michael reported on Contingency and Escalation confirming the district has used \$175M of the escalation budget for Prop A. April Clark asked about the Akins total budget and Michael agreed to get that number for her.

Michael Mann presented on program challenges and Larry Huang asked if there will be a point where the district will not be able to overcome the budgetary challenges presented and it won't be possible to get back on budget. Michael agreed that was possible, but the team is working on this daily and constantly evaluating options and different scenarios with the superintendent. There are regular cost-value option meetings to review detailed project line items. Jaime Miller added that the team has presented a plan to the superintendent and will present that to the committee once approved. The district is prioritizing modernization and safety projects and is working strategically on scope and fee.

Michael Mann gave a House Park update. Jennifer Carson asked if the district would be closing the east side to work on the pressbox and if it would be delayed for another year? Michael explained it would not be delayed a year. The team is working with the Athletics Director Jason Glenn and schools that use House Park to keep the facility open at times. Ann Phipps asked about the team's experience with the Historic Landmark Commission. Michael explained that the district did some work with them on 2017 Bond projects. The district provided an overarching presentation to the commission a few months ago and then set up individual meetings for projects. The commission gave the team a list of projects they want to review such as O.Henry Middle School and Andrews Elementary.

Michael then presented on the Delco Activity Center work through the 2017 Bond. Barbara Spears-Corbett asked for clarification on the drainage work done with the 2017 Bond. Michael explained that since there had been drainage work done with the 2013 Bond, it was felt the drainage was taken care of at that time, so the work with the 2017 Bond focused on other items. The district exceeded the budget on needed improvements and had to use contingency funds.

John Kelly reviewed the scope of the 2022 Bond for the Delco Activity Center stating that priority is being given to correcting drainage issues. Barbara asked if the plan was to stay at the same level or dig further down. John answered that the team is looking into that and that the full set of recommendations has not yet been developed. He noted that most water is coming into the building from the outside and they are looking at ways to redirect that water.

	Michael introduced Jamelle Bennett, CMD project manager, taking on larger projects through the team's mentorship program. Jamelle presented on McCallum High School, noting the project is on budget and has an anticipated January 2027 open date. He explained the new CTE building will be between the current baseball and football field.
	John Kelly presented on Clifton Career Development School noting an anticipated June 2026 open date for the modernized areas.
	Mitch Evans presented on Anderson High School. Ann Phipps asked if the competition gym was a new addition. Mitch answered yes, it is being added to the west side of the current building. April asked if Anderson already had artificial turf. Michael explained that it does, and it will be receiving new turf as part of the High School turf and fields project. Its current turf will be at the end of its lifespan by the time it is replaced.

CMD 2022 <u>Targeted</u> Projects  ■ Garcia Update	CMD Staff	Michael Mann presented on targeted projects stating the district will begin 36 secure entry vestibule projects this summer. Some will spill over to the next school year and the team is working with campuses to arrange the moving of admin offices.  Michael then gave an update on Gus Garcia YMLA explaining the 2017 and 2022 monies were put together to create one project. April Clark asked if the district was on budget for soft costs and Michael confirmed the district is on budget and will be using all \$9M.
CMD Previous Bond Projects updates (2013 & 2017)  • House Park Update	CMD Staff	Michael Mann presented on previous bond projects stating that the Pleasant Hill Annex is under demolition, Jaime Miller noted that the project also went to the Historic Landmark Commission.
Future Items for Discussion	Co-Chairs	Ryan Pollock stated that while no changes have been made since 2022 on the Dept of Labor website and the district is following what's posted, wages are out of date. He expressed concerns that quality contractors may not be able to compete and win bids if they adhere to higher wage standards for their employees.
		Barbara Spears-Corbett reported that Trustee Boswell acknowledged receipt of the CBOC Report to the Board. She explained that Lori Moya and Cheryl Bradley rolled off as co-chairs due to term limits and that she and Mark Grayson were now co-chairs. She asked the committee to be conscious of representing their districts and the best interest of those schools. She would like to hear what the committee would like to discuss and will work with Jada Simpson to send out an email requesting items for discussion at future meetings.
Adjourn	Co-Chairs	Move to adjourn by Barbara Corbett-Spears at 7: 25 pm, second by Richard Kelly.