



**MINUTES  
CITIZEN'S OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE  
SOCORRO ISD  
DISTRICT SERVICE CENTER/ MEETING ROOM A  
JUNE 25, 2008| 6:00 PM**

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**MEMBER PRESENT**

Herb De La Rosa, Co-Chairperson; Victor Valdivia, Co-Chairperson; Susan Hill, Member; Cathey Kaiser, Member; Robert Valles, Member; Paul Guerra, Member; Enedina Serna, Member; Joe Keith, Member; Lorenza Fraire, Member; Mary Benham, Interim Superintendent; Thomas A. Eyeington, Assistant Superintendent for District Operations; Gracie Tovar, Administrative Specialist II, Grace L. Rubio, District Operations Clerk

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Irene Chavez, Member; Rafael Hernando, III, Member; Troy Hicks, Member; Linda East, Member;

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Mr. Herb De La Rosa, Co-Chairperson.

**WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

Mr. De La Rosa welcomed everyone to the Citizens' Oversight Committee and had everyone introduce themselves.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Committee approved the minutes for the Citizen's Oversight Committee Meeting held on April 7, 2008.

**2004 BOND PROGRAM UPDATE**

Mr. Eyeington explained how the money in land banking for the 2004 Bond Program remains the same and the balance is shown on the website. Mr. Eyeington and Mrs. Benham explained that any decisions whether it is land or anything regarding bond money discussed have to go to the Board first for approval before the information is released to the public. Mr. Eyeington explained that any money for a project from the 2004 Bond legally can be used for another project. Mr. Eyeington explained that the whole \$188 million has been sold for the 2004 bond. Mrs. Lorenza Fraire requested a report that will depict students per classroom in the Socorro High School population in the math and science area.

**REVIEW COMMITTEE BY-LAWS/COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

Item was tabled for the next scheduled Citizen's Oversight Committee Meeting.

Mr. Herb de la Rosa expressed his opinions regarding committee members that were appointed and don't attend after one meeting. A motion was made to go to the Board regarding the attendance of the Oversight Committee members but was not seconded. A second motion was made to allow the two new Board members to select two new members for the Oversight Committee.

Mr. Eyeington explained that the current by-laws tabled for the next Board meeting allowed the Board members to have two appointees for the Oversight Committee Meetings and the Superintendent have two. Any leaving Board member has their appointees remain on the Oversight Committee Meeting until their members resign. Mrs. Benham has elected to go for legal counsel because the Board developed the committee and any decisions about how the Board chooses replacements makes her wary that it should be

overviewed by legal counsel. A motion was made and seconded. Five persons were for it and three opposed. One abstained.

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**DISTRICT ENROLLMENT WITH OVERFLOW & SCHOOL CAPACITIES**

Mr. Eyeington provided the Committee with 2008-2009 District enrollment graphs as of Wednesday, June 25, 2008.

**BRAC REPORT**

Mr. Eyeington provided the Committee with the Students from Military Families graph as of Wednesday, June 25, 2008.

**DISCUSS UPCOMING MEETING DATES**

Ms. Gracie Tovar provided a calendar, in which the Committee agreed to meet the first Monday of the month. The only exception is July 7, 2008, due to the holidays. The Committee changed the date to July 14, 2008. Mr. De le Rosa addressed the committee that any future Oversight meetings not be cancelled if he is not there that the co-chair Mr. Victor Valdivia can run the meeting or if he is not there, anyone else who wishes to volunteer.

**Other**

**Reports for next meeting**

- Report showing students per classroom in the Socorro High School population in the math and science area.

**ADJOURN: 8:07 P.M.**