

TO: BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FROM: SUPERINTENDENT

INFORMATIVE REPORT NO. 15-2009/10-IR/S

Prepared by the Office of the Superintendent
for Presentation to the Board of Trustees
April 12, 2010

SUBJECT: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

A. Background

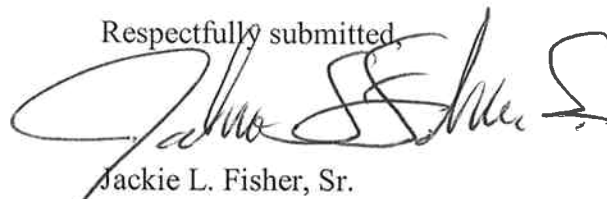
On November 2, 2004, voters in Kern and Los Angeles counties approved Measure R, which authorized Antelope Valley Community College District to issue bonds of the district in the amount of \$139 million to accommodate increasing enrollment at Antelope Valley College and improve campus safety.

As provided in the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (Proposition 39) and California Education Code, the district's governing board established an independent citizens' oversight committee to:

- Inform the public concerning the district's expenditure of bond proceeds;
- Review quarterly expenditure reports produced by the district to ensure that bond proceeds were expended only for the purposes set forth in the Measure R and no bond proceeds were used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other operating expenses with the exception of salaries of district employees performing administrative oversight work on construction projects (pursuant to the November 9, 2004, opinion of Attorney General Bill Lockyer); and
- Present to the Board, in public session, an annual written report which shall include a statement indicating whether the District is in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution and a summary of the Committee's proceedings and activities for the preceding year.

The Antelope Valley Community College District's Vice President of Business Services certifies that the bond proceeds for fiscal year 2009 were expended only for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure and that no bond proceeds were used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other operating expenses with the exception of salaries of district employees performing administrative oversight work on construction projects (pursuant to the November 9, 2004, opinion of Attorney General Bill Lockyer).

Respectfully submitted,



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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

A letter to the Antelope Valley community from the members of the Measure R Citizens' Oversight Committee

Committee provides accountability and oversight for bond money

The Measure R Citizens' Oversight Committee was established following voter approval in November 2004 of a \$139 million bond measure to provide money for construction projects of the Antelope Valley Community College District. The committee was formed as required by Proposition 39, the legislative authority of Measure R.

The primary responsibilities of the committee are to:

- Review spending to ensure that bond proceeds are expended only for the purposes set forth in Measure R.
- Provide a statement indicating whether the district is in compliance with bond requirements.
- Present to the district's Board of Trustees an annual report summarizing the committee's proceedings and activities for the preceding year.

Report of committee activity

During the 2008-2009 fiscal year, the Measure R Citizens' Oversight Committee met two times. The committee actions included:

- Review of bylaws and roles and responsibilities of the committee
- Review and development of the committee Web site, <http://www.avc.edu/administration/facilities/measurer/index.html>
- Review of financial reports, including the annual independent auditors' report
- Review of construction projects

The Citizens' Oversight Committee reports that, to the best of its knowledge, the Antelope Valley Community College District is in full compliance with the responsibilities as described in Article XIII A of the California State Constitution.

“ Measure R
bond funds
have been spent
appropriately. ”

With this report, the Citizens' Oversight Committee members assure the community that Measure R bond expenditures have been issued properly. Furthermore, the committee has determined that Measure R funds have been used only for projects identified in the bond measure and that no measures or monies were used unlawfully for instructor and administrator salaries.

Health & Science Building



Artist's rendering

Winner of the 2009 California CCFC Award of Merit for Project Design, the Health and Science Building will provide instructional programs in a 107,000-square-foot facility. The building will replace the existing science buildings that have become obsolete and provide additional space for expansion for both the Science Department and Health Sciences Division. The

new facility will include 44,000 square feet for labs and classrooms to support biological sciences and physical sciences including a planetarium. 21,000 square feet is dedicated to the health sciences programs including nursing, emergency medical services, surgical, cardiovascular and radiologic technology. A 2,000-square-foot surgery demonstration lab

Status:

Bid and award project
April 2010

Estimated Completion:

July 2012

Funding:

\$39,404,000
State Capital Outlay Funds
\$34,583,000
Measure R Funds
Total: \$73,987,000

is a vital new addition to support the growing health sciences programs. The facility also includes an additional 10,000 square feet of general classroom space as well as faculty offices, a computer lab and an outdoor botany greenhouse. A new café to support the northerly expansion of the campus is also located in the building.

Measure R bond construction projects continue to move forward

SAFETY AND CRITICAL MAINTENANCE PROJECTS

Status: Completed 2005

Funding:

\$2,234,000 Measure R Funds

Safety and critical maintenance projects have been completed campus wide as required to keep district facilities safe and functional for students and staff.

NORTH CAMPUS PARKING LOT

Status: Occupied August 2006

Funding:

\$4,644,000 Measure R Funds

Construction of a new parking lot located on the north side of campus accommodates 1,003 automobiles and has emergency phones located strategically throughout the parking lot.

WEST CAMPUS PARKING LOT

Status: Occupied August 2008

Funding:

\$3,797,000 Measure R Funds

Construction of two new parking lots and the expansion of the original parking lot located on the west side of campus provides an additional 600 spaces and has emergency phones located strategically throughout each parking lot.

PALMDALE CAMPUS PROPERTY

Status: Purchased 2008

Funding:

\$5,070,000

Measure R Funds

Sixty acres was purchased on 25th Street East near Pearblossom Highway for the future Palmdale campus.



Facilities Services and Receiving-Warehouse Building

Status: Occupied May 2009

Funding: \$13,723,000 Measure R Funds

To accommodate the future construction of the Health and Science Building, a 20,000-square-foot receiving/warehouse facility was constructed as well as a new facility to house the district's facilities planning and maintenance and operations functions.



Environmental Horticulture Science Complex

Status: Occupied August 2009

Funding: \$8,250,000 Measure R Funds

The Environmental Horticulture Science complex will provide instructional programs in 53,000 square feet that includes four greenhouses, lab and lab prep space and nursery and support space. More than 38,000 square feet of space will be dedicated to landscaped areas for various types of gardens, plant areas, turf areas and an orchard. Programs include environmental horticulture and landscape construction.



Marauder Stadium Renovation

Status: Occupied September 2009

Funding: \$5,968,000 Measure R Funds

Renovation of Marauder Stadium required reconstruction of all structures to meet current seismic structural requirements and Americans with Disabilities Act requirements. The 5,000-seat-facility will host a multitude of college and community events.

SOUTH ATHLETIC FIELDS AND PAR COURSE

Status: Occupied June 2008

Funding:

\$2,070,000 Measure R Funds

The South Athletic Fields are designed for two full size soccer fields to be utilized for a variety of physical education classes and athletic uses. The fields are surrounded by a Physical Agility and Running (PAR) course that is open to the public. This course is also utilized for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department academy training program.

NORTH ATHLETIC FIELDS

Status: Occupied June 2008

Funding:

\$1,813,000 Measure R Funds

The North Athletic Fields includes two full size football fields that can be utilized for a variety of physical education classes and athletic uses including community youth football. A throws field area provides facilities for the hammer throw, discus, javelin and shot put events

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE

Status: Completed 2008

Funding:

\$2,477,000 Measure R Funds

Updated voice and data infrastructure was installed to support expansion of the district's computer network and telephone systems.

SOFTBALL STADIUM RENOVATION

Status: Occupied January 2010

Funding:

\$2,244,000 Measure R Funds

Renovation of the softball stadium provides ADA-compliant restrooms, seating, concessions, press box, storage, scoreboard and renovated field area.

BASEBALL STADIUM

Estimated Completion: April 2010

Funding:

\$3,980,000 Measure R Funds

Construction of the baseball stadium provides ADA-compliant restrooms, seating, concessions, press box, storage, scoreboard and new field area.