1.0 WELCOME, ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER
The Victor Valley Community College District Measure JJ Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee met on Wednesday, December 3, 2014, in the Board Room of Victor Valley Community College. Mr. Richard Greenwood, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM.

Roll Call: Richard Greenwood (CBOC), Larry Hover (CBOC), Marshall Kagan (1:37) (CBOC), Don Nelson (CBOC), Edward Rodarte (CBOC), Dawn Serbus (CBOC), were in attendance.

Absent: Cassandra Walters (CBOC).

Present: G.H. Javaheripour, (VVC Vice President, Administrative Services); Steve Garcia (VVC Director, Facilities/Construction); Robert Sewell, VVC PIO, and Shirley Snell-Gonzalez (VVC Administrative Assistant).

Six (6) committee members were present. Quorum established.

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The pledge of allegiance to the American flag was led by Edward Rodarte.

3.0 INTRODUCTIONS
Each person introduced themselves.

4.0 AGENDA REVIEW
There were no changes made to the agenda.

5.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS
No public comments were expressed.

6.0 ACTION ITEMS
6.1 Approval of Meeting Minutes – March 19 and June 18, 2014 – the minutes were presented for review and approval.

**ACTION:** Mr. Rodarte moved to open the minutes of the March 19 and June 18, 2014 with a second from Ms. Serbus. The minutes were approved as presented.

6.2 Discussion of the Bond Measure JJ Annual Report to the Board of Trustees – this report is an annual report from this committee to the Board of Trustees,
customarily submitted in March. Discussion ensued as to Shirley Snell-Gonzalez preparing a draft of the report and submitting it electronically to the members for input. It was felt that an actual meeting was necessary that a workshop would be scheduled for final editing in February.

**ACTION:** Ms. Snell-Gonzalez will prepare a draft of the annual report and submit to the members for input. It was decided that a workshop will be held February 11th. Notices will be sent out.

### 7.0 REPORTS/DISCUSSION

#### 7.1 Bond Project Updates and Expenditures

The floor was yielded to Steve Garcia by Dr. Javaheripour to report on the Bond projects and expenditures. The report is for the most recent quarter, through September 30, 2014. Mr. Garcia presented a PowerPoint program update as to the Dr. Prem Reddy Health and Sciences Building as well as an update of the upcoming Vocational Modernization complex. The Health and Sciences construction company is Balfour Beatty Construction and NTD Architecture. The ground-breaking ceremony was held May 16th with an anticipated construction schedule of 12 months. It is anticipated that this project will be completed in June of 2015 and occupied in the fall of 2015. The Vo-Tech expansion/renovation project is in the very early stages of development with Frick, Frick & Jette as the design professionals. The drawings are anticipated to be completed by January of 2015 and then will be submitted to the Division of the State Architects for approval. Construction is proposed to begin in the summer of 2015. Additional information is available on the VVC Facilities website. Mr. Garcia also presented the Budget Summary Report. The total program budget including earned interest is $139,897,093. Mr. Garcia noted that a line item (#8) was added as to the certificates of participation, as requested by this committee, in the amount of $52,206,346. At this time there are no plans to construct on the Hesperia property, although, Dr. Javaheripour stated, we are still in contact with Mr. Ross, the owner. With regard to the Music Building, $3,276,624 has been expended with a remaining balance to be paid for final payment needs. Overall the total expended amount is $117,255,293, which is 83.83% of the total bond funds. Prop 39 requires that at least 85% of the initial funds be spent with the first 5 years, which we have accomplished. The remainder of the funds have been allocated to additional projects. Mr. Garcia additionally provided a list of Board approved projects. Mr. Kagan asked if the recently established winter session was planned to reduce the number of classrooms. Dr. Javaheripour responded by saying that 220 sections of classes have been developed for winter in order to meet the funded state requirement that generates the FTES.

**ACTION:** The Bond Project Updates and Expenditures Report was accepted as presented with a motion by E. Rodarte and a second by D. Serbus.

### 8.0 COMMITTEE MEMBERS’ COMMENTS

Mr. Hoover stated that Diana Carloni had an article in the newspaper that stated that bond funds were being spent as approved by the voters. Mr. Hoover disagrees. He stated that Proposition 39 authorizes bond funds to be spent for repair, construction, upgrades for schools and classrooms and it
is the responsibility of the oversight committee to alert the public of any wasteful spending. The attorney commented about the bond and GIC funds, (June meeting via conference call) but attorney’s opinions are not binding. His comments regarding the exemption is irrelevant to Prop 39 language. Mr. Hoover also questioned the construction costs of the Student Activities Center, the Performing Arts Center, the Library and the Science Center. He stated that Measure JJ funds were used to cover the 1997 COPS and questioned a $9 million state reimbursement.

Mr. Rodarte stated that having been a former hiring manager, with some understanding, he felt that the district was right on target and felt no embezzlement had or is occurring (with regard to bond fund spending). Ms. Serbus felt the same, as did Don Nelson.

Mr. Kagan stated that he has spoken with the District Attorney’s office regarding his concerns with alleged inappropriate fund spending by the college. He repeated his comments as to the work schedule at VVC being appropriate for a research college not for a teaching college, which is why the college is operating in a deficit. According to Proposition 39, voters are asked to approve a tax increase to address the deficit, (55% of the vote is required), but this money is only to be used for capital projects. Mr. Kagan stated that the school borrowed funds from the COPS to pay off the debt of operating expenses both now and in the future. He said that he told the D.A. that this topic was not allowed to be discussed by this committee. He asked Mr. Greenwood if he would like to be contacted by the D.A. An affirmative response came from Chairman Greenwood.

9.0 OTHER – Parking passes expire at the end of the year. Campus police will issue new passes the week of December 15th. Ms. Snell-Gonzalez will send the member’s 2015 passes via mail as soon as they are received that week.

10.0 NEXT CITIZENS’ OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING
The next workshop will be held Wednesday, February 11, 2015. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held Wednesday, March 11, 2015, both in the Board Room of Victor Valley College at 1:30 PM.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 2:13 PM with a motion and second by E. Rodarte and D. Serbus.