

## Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Annual Report 2018-19





## **Executive Summary**

The El Camino Community College District (ECCCD) was successful at the November 5, 2002 election in obtaining authorization from the district's voters to issue \$394 million in general obligation bonds. District voters also gave the ECCCD authorization following the November 5, 2012 election to issue \$350 million in general obligation bonds.

The elections were each conducted under Proposition 39. Pursuant to Section 15278 of the Education Code, the ECCCD established an oversight committee to satisfy the accountability requirements of Prop 39. In March 2013, the El Camino Community College District Board of Trustees confirmed that the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee initially established for the 2002 Measure shall have the duties and rights set forth in the committee's bylaws with oversight responsibility over both 2002 Measure E and 2012 Measure E.

The charter of the El Camino Community College District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee is to inform the public concerning bond revenue expenditures and to actively review and report on the expenditure of these funds. The El Camino Community College District's committee comprises a cross section of the citizenry who have volunteered their time to represent various constituencies, and fulfill the responsibilities listed above.

During the 2018-19 fiscal year, the committee met on a regular basis; reviewing expenditures, touring campus renovations, asking questions, and expressing concerns and recommendations. This Annual Report of the El Camino Community College District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee documents the results of these activities and serves to fulfill the basic tenets of the charter.

By law, the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee membership is comprised of at least seven members who are selected from different groups in the local community. The committee consists of a representative that is active in a business organization located within the district, a member active in a senior citizens organization, a student enrolled at the college, an active member form the taxpayer's organization and a member in an organization that supports the college (i.e. member of an advisory council or foundation).

Accompanying this report and available on the ECC website are the agendas and minutes of the open public meetings, as well as the independent audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, performed by the firm of Clifton Larson Allen. The committee examined and reviewed this audit. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the District complied with the requirements of Article XIIIA, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution.

Louisa Bahar, Chair

El Camino Community College District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

# Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

Name	City of Residence	Occupation	Representing	Length of Term
Lou Bahar	Manhattan Beach	Retired	Senior Representative	Three Years 4/18-4/21
Dr. Don Brann*	El Segundo	Member of the El Segundo City Council	Business Representative	Three Years 4/19-4/22
Joan Jones**	Manhattan Beach	Attorney	Community Representative	Three Years 4/16-4/19
David Kartsonis	Torrance	Technical Development Director	Foundation Representative	Three Years 4/17-4/20
Eugene M. Krank	Hawthorne	Podiatrist	Community Representative	Two Years 4/16-4/20
Kirk Retz**	Palos Verdes Estates	Construction Law	Taxpayer Representative	Three Years 4/16-4/19
Steve Scott**	El Segundo	Aerospace Manager	Business Representative	Three Years 4/16-4/19
Wiley Wilson		El Camino College Director of Academic Affairs & Executive Member of Associated Student Body	Student Representative	One Year 7/18-6/19
Laurie McCarthy*	Manhattan Beach	Retired	Community Representative	Three Years 4/19-4/22

Each term may be repeated once. Student members serve one year only.

<sup>\*</sup>Current member, joined after FY 2018-19

<sup>\*\*</sup>Member during FY 2018-19, ended term in April 2019

## Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

Lou Bahar is a Manhattan Beach resident, Foundation donor, scholarship supporter and ECC alumna. She started her business career at ECC with Intro to Business, Business Law and Basic Accounting. She loved accounting so much she transferred to CSULB to complete her four-year degree and received a bachelor's degree in accounting. She went on to work in various accounting jobs; finally working for her husband's floor covering distribution company before retiring. She is still a student at ECC and a lifelong learner! Born in Chicago, she happily moved to Los Angeles in her early 20s. Ms. Bahar lived in Redondo Beach for about 10 years and then moved to Manhattan Beach in 1980 and has lived there ever since.

Joan Jones is a Manhattan Beach attorney and community volunteer. She graduated from Stanford Law School and has a bachelor's degree in economics from Goucher College in Baltimore. In the community, she served on the Manhattan Beach City Council, including a term as mayor from 1997-98. Ms. Jones is currently Chairman of the Board of LA BioMed. She has also been a board member for the Manhattan Beach Education Foundation, Goucher College, South Bay Free Clinic, the Mira Costa PTA, and founded the organization Tools to Talent.

**David Kartsonis** is a longtime South Bay resident who began his higher education at El Camino College at the age of 13. After graduating at 16, he transferred to UC Santa Barbara with a Regents Scholarship and earned a bachelor's degree in creative studies. Mr. Kartsonis is president of the El Camino College Foundation Board of Directors, and has served on the board since 2009. He is the director of technical development for Bakers Man Productions, where he has worked since 2006. Mr. Kartsonis currently lives in Torrance with his wife, son and daughter.

**Eugene M. Krank** is a podiatrist who currently works for a medical research company. In the community, he is a member of the Hawthorne School District Board of Trustees and the Los Angeles County School Trustees Association, in addition to serving as a delegate for the California School Boards Association. He also served on the committee to select El Camino College's new superintendent/president.

**Kirk J. Retz** is an attorney with Retz & Aldover, LLP, and practices in the area of construction law, real estate and business law, handling both transactional and litigation matters. He has published numerous articles on topics in this field and frequently speaks on construction issues. In the community, Mr. Retz is a commissioner on the Rolling Hills Estates Parks and Activities Commission serves on the board of managers for the Torrance YMCA, the Gift Planning Council for Loyola Marymount University, and provides pro bono legal services to the nonprofit organization "Keepers of Indigenous Ways."

**Steve Scott** is manager, space and systems integration for Lockheed Martin, as a member of the Corporate Domestic Business Development staff. He earned a bachelor's degree in computer science from California State University, Long Beach and an engineering management credential from Caltech. Scott serves on the regional board of directors for the Air Force Association, the Armed Forces Communications Electronics Association and the National Defense Industrial Association.

Wiley Wilson is a Watts resident, the Director of Academic Affairs and an Executive Member of the Associated Students Organization, the Commissioner of Diversity and Cabinet Member of the Inter-Club Council, and the I.C.C. Representative and Vice President of the Black Student Union of El Camino College. Wiley currently works for the Foster and Kinship Care Education Program, under the El Camino College Community Education and Development. He has also dedicated more than 500+ hrs. of his time toward volunteering for multiple Boys and Girls Clubs throughout the South Bay Region teaching multiple classes, workshops and mentoring. His goal is to go toward teaching in history and later into Administration.

Ms. Laurie McCarthy is a retired investment banker who earned an MBA from the UCLA Anderson School of Business and a BS in Nursing from UCLA. She has extensive experience in corporate finance, corporate bond issuance and merger, and acquisition financing. She has served on the Finance and Investment Committees of the UCLA Foundation, scholarship committees of the UCLA Alumni Association, and has chaired various public school and athletic team endeavors in the South Bay. Currently Ms. McCarthy is a member of the El Camino College Foundation Board and serves on the finance committee. Ms. McCarthy is a life-long learner who is currently studying French and Art History at El Camino College. She and her family have resided in Manhattan Beach for over thirty years.

**Dr. Don Brann** has over 25 years of experience in education, most recently through his leadership of the Wiseburn Unified School District. He has served as a school Superintendent in six districts, and founded the Da Vinci Schools in the Wiseburn District in 2008. He has led four successful bond initiatives over his extensive experience as an educator. A resident of El Segundo, Dr. Brann is currently serving as a member of the El Segundo City Council. Dr. Brann earned a BS in Business and an Ed.D. in Education at the University of Southern California. He is a graduate of El Camino College, was recognized as an ECC Distinguished Alumni, and is a member of the El Camino College Foundation President's Circle.

## July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019

During the 18th year of El Camino College's bond-funded building program, the college completed several substantial projects, and continued to design and build others.

#### **Milestones:**

- Student Services Center: The departments in the new building include: Admissions & Records, International Student Program, Veterans Services, Warrior Welcome Center, EOPS/ CARE/CalWORKs & Guardian Scholars, Career & Transfer Center, Counseling & Student Success, Enrollment Services, Financial Aid, First Year Experience, Outreach & School Relations, Dual Enrollment, Special Resource Center, KEAS, Student Equity and Achievement, Student Support Services, and the Language Academy. The Student Services Center substantial completion was achieved August 2019 and the building is occupied.
- New Gymnasium Building Project: This is the first project identified in the 2012 Facilities Master Plan. The
  new building houses the basketball, volleyball, and other indoor sports programs. Substantial completion
  was achieved on November 2019 for District use with punch list corrections anticipated to be completed by
  mid-March 2020.
- Construction continues on the Pool and Classroom Building Project. This building will consist of two pools (a competition pool and an adaptive pool), a weight room and classrooms. Instructors, coaches and the division offices will be housed in this complex. Anticipated Completion: July 2020.
- Construction continues on the Administration Building Project. The construction of the new building will be on the same site as the current building. The offices of the Superintendent/President, the Vice President of Academic Affairs, the Vice President of Student Services, the Vice President of Administrative Services, the Vice President of Human Resources and the Human Resources staff, Institutional Research and Planning, Marketing and Communication, Foundation, Scholarship, and Grants, will all be housed here. Also included within this building is new Board meeting room and flexible conference rooms. Anticipated Completion: April 2020.
- Manhattan Café Project. New interior construction of a 1,658 SF café at the 1<sup>st</sup> level on the northeast corner of the existing Bookstore Building. Submitted to Division State Architect on 1/31/2020. Anticipated Division State Architect approval 5/2020.
- The Art Complex building design has been submitted to the State for construction approval. Programs within the building will consist of 2D and 3D art classrooms, sculpture, jewelry design, digital design classes, film video, photography and print making. The complex will include the anthropology museum, art gallery and staff offices as well. Exterior gathering and instruction areas will be abundant within the large shared quad with the Social and Behavioral Sciences Building. Anticipated Construction Start: Winter 2020.
- The Behavioral Social Sciences building received plan check approval by the Division of State Architect in December 2019. In addition to the Division office, the departments in the new building include American Studies, Anthropology, Child Development/Education, Economics, Ethnic Studies, History, Human Development, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Social Justice Studies, Sociology, and Women's Studies.

- The Central Plant Retro-Commissioning Project started in November 2019 and includes updating the air conditioning systems in 17 buildings by installing smart energy valves. A new chiller, cooling tower and water treatment system will be installed in the Central Plant. The project will provide better energy management and will significantly reduce the operating cost of the Central Plant. Project completion by June 2020.
- The Existing Student Activities & Student Services Demolition Project got underway in December 2019 and is scheduled for completion by the end of June 2020. The project is taking advantage of recycling the concrete for compacted fill, significantly reducing the volume.
- Student Activities Relocation Project is currently in the plan review phase at the Division of State Architect. The project will convert the first floor of the Communications Building into the Student Activities Center consisting of 7,923 square feet. The project includes student activities area, department offices, dedicated ASO and ICC spaces, conference rooms, break room and student club storage.
- Construction Technology project is a covered 4 bay outdoor instruction area consisting of 10,500 sq. ft. which will be large enough to allow full scale building structures to be built under it. The canopy structure will be lighted and protected from the rain allowing for greater instruction scheduling flexibility. The canopy structure will have adequate electric, water and compressed air to support the attending students. Exterior asphalt paving will be provided for fire department access and to facilitate large deliveries of supplies. This project is expected to be submitted to the Division State Architect for approval in March 2020 and complete construction by July 2021.

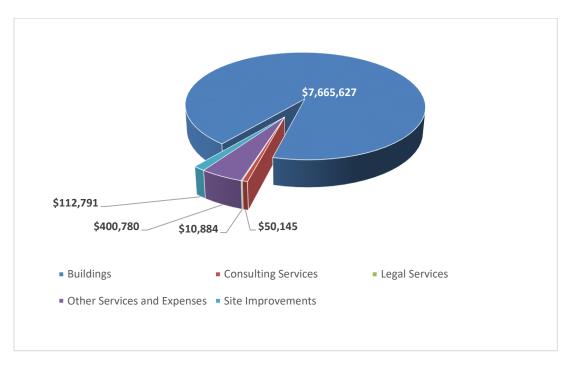
#### Challenges:

• A continuing challenge is minimizing the disruption to campus programs and operations stemming from the large amount of construction activities. As construction of future projects begins in the core of the campus, noise, disruption and access will be increasingly difficult.

# 2002 Authorization General Obligation Bond Fund Categories and Projects

as of June 30, 2019

#### 2002 Authorization General Obligation Bond Fund Expenditures Year 2018-19 (by Type)



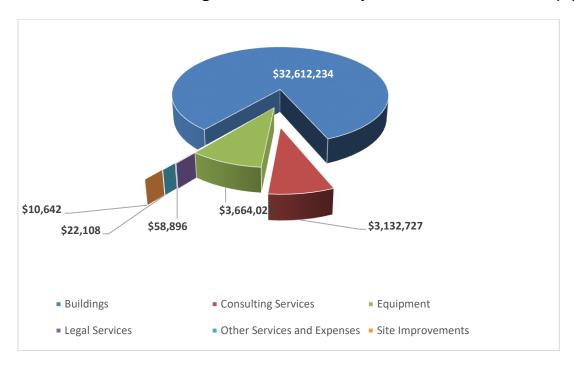
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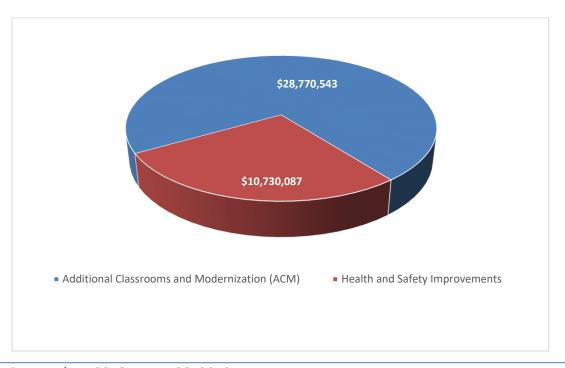
# 2012 Authorization General Obligation Bond Fund Categories and Projects

as of June 30, 2019

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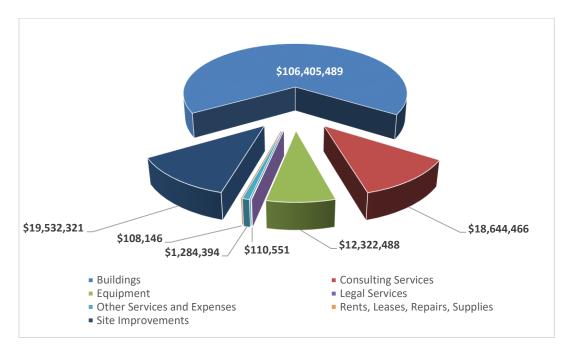
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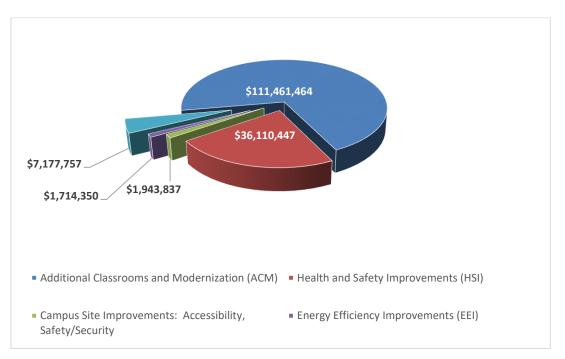
# 2012 Authorization General Obligation Bond Fund Categories and Projects

as of June 30, 2019

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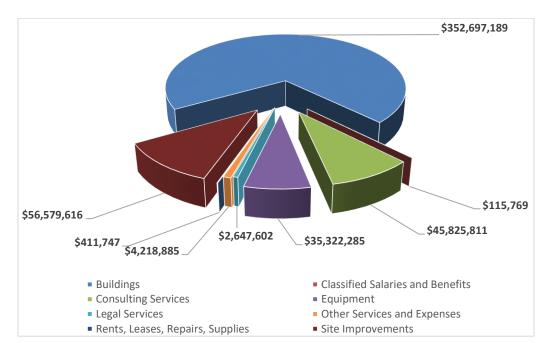
#### 2012 Authorization General Obligation Bond Fund Expenditures Year 2016-19 (by Category)



# 2002 & 2012 Authorization Combined General Obligation Bond Fund Categories and Projects

as of June 30, 2019

#### **General Obligation Bond Fund Expenditures Year 2002-19 (by Type)**

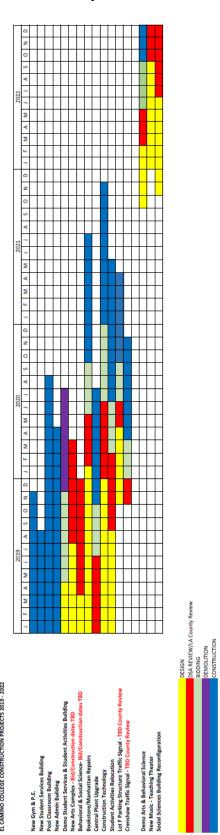


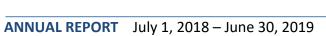
#### **General Obligation Bond Fund Expenditures Year 2002-19 (by Category)**



# El Camino College – Sequencing Schedule

### Option B





## Pool Classroom & Building



Bookstore Café Project



## Construction Technology



EAST

## Administration Building



## Social & Behavioral Science Building



Arts Complex



### Map of the Campus Buildings & Future Construction





Student Services Building (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Interior)

The El Camino Community College District is committed to providing an educational and employment environment in which no person is subjected to discrimination on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, ancestry, national origin, religion, creed, age (over 40), disability (mental or physical), sex, gender (including pregnancy and childbirth), sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, military and veteran status, or retaliation; or on any other basis as required by state and federal law.