

# Minutes from Measure G Oversight Committee Meeting

October 7, 2008

## Committee Members Present:

Lawrence Pon, David Hendershott, Dina Artzt, Kristin Mack, and Joe DiGeronimo (for Nellie Hungerford)

## Committee Members Not Present:

Gabor Molnar and Nellie Hungerford

## Guest:

Chuck Velshow

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Lawrence Pon.

## Review of Agenda.

## Review of last meeting's minutes:

Lawrence Pon moved to approve the minutes. Minutes are approved.

## Review Financial Report.

Parcel Tax Information Sheet, a number of issues/questions have been raised in which committee members would like responses prior to January 2009, or as soon as reasonable:

- The number of FTE's (staff, certificated) & salaries and benefits appear not in sync with "actual" staff on sites.
- Explain other fees/parcel tax entry
- Explain why carryover and what entails such
- Could the district update the pie chart distribution of parcel tax dollars?
- Any anticipated shortfall.


## Other:

If the Measure U passes, will there be 2 parcel tax committees or combined into one committee?

Next Meeting: TBD for sometime February 2009. Meeting Adjourned 7:30 PM.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Measure G Oversight Committee

FROM: Nellie Hungerford 

RE: Response to Questions at 10/7/2008 Meeting of Measure G Oversight Committee Meeting

DATE: October 13, 2008

Several of the questions listed in the minutes of the October 7<sup>th</sup> meeting were answered at previous meetings. I am happy to answer them once again.

1. Parcel tax does not support any one complete FTE but portions of several individual positions. The reports you received are not by site but by total District FTE equivalency for each category. I do not understand the portion of the question related to "actual staff on site."
2. Each year a fee is charged to have the tax roll audited for individuals who have sold their property. This audit guarantees that those properties are once again assessed the parcel tax fee.
3. All the expenditures for Parcel tax are salary related and therefore increase each year as salaries increase for step/column increases, cost of living increases, changes in health benefit rates and statutory benefit rates. There is \$20,000 set aside for each of the five remaining years of the parcel tax, including 08-09, to take care of these increases. This is prudent budget management to insure that the positions currently supported by the Parcel will continue to be supported by the Parcel through the life of the Parcel tax. Otherwise, portions of positions would need to be reduced each year. Each year the carryover amount will be reduced by \$20,000 leaving a zero carryover balance in the last year of the parcel tax.
4. An updated pie chart will be prepared.
5. With the budgeting of a carryover balance the current positions can be funded as long as the Board of Trustees continues this distribution of resources.
6. According to legal counsel, the Board of Trustees makes the decision of whether there should be a single Committee or two separate oversight Committees. If we are successful in passing the Parcel Tax, I will present this question to the Board.