FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

AP 6740 CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

References:

Education Code Sections 15264 et seq.,15278, 15280, and 15282 CA Constitution Article 13

A Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (the "Committee") must be established pursuant to the requirements in Proposition 39, chaptered as the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (the "Act") (Education Code Sections 15264 et seq.).

Purposes

- To inform the public about the expenditure of bond revenues;
- To review and report on the proper expenditure of taxpayers' money for school construction;
- To advise the public as to the District's compliance with the Proposition 39 requirements as contained in the California Constitution.

The Committee shall operate pursuant to the Bylaws approved by the Governing Board. The Committee shall have only those responsibilities granted to them in the Act and in the Bylaws as established by the Governing Board.

Activities

- Receive and review copies of the annual, independent performance audit;
- Receive and review copies of the annual, independent financial audit;
- Inspect school facilities and grounds to ensure that bond revenues are expended in properly;
- Receive and review copies of any deferred maintenance proposals or plans developed by the District;
- Review efforts by the District to maximize bond revenues by implementing costsaving measures.

Members

The committee shall consist of at least seven members to serve for a term of two (2) years and for no more than three consecutive terms. Members shall serve without compensation.

- The committee shall be comprised of at least:
- One member active in a business organization representing the business community located within the District;

- One member active in a senior citizen's organization;
- One member active in a bona fide taxpayer's organization;
- One member of a student both currently enrolled in [District] and active in a campus group. The student may serve up to six months after his/her graduation;
- One member active in the support and organization of a district
- No employee, official, vendor, contractor, or consultant of [District] shall be appointed to the committee.

Assistance

The District shall provide the committee with any necessary technical or administrative assistance, as well as other resources, to publicize its conclusions.

Public Meetings

Meetings shall be open to the public and notice provided in accordance with the provisions of open meetings laws.

Reports

At least once a year the committee shall issue a report on the result of its activities. Minutes from its proceedings, all documents received, and reports issued as a matter of public record and shall be made available on an internet website maintained by the District.

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