

Arcadia Unified School District

**MEASURE A
CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

**June 1, 2015
Arcadia Education Center, Staff Development Room A
150 South Third Avenue
Arcadia, CA 91006**

I. OPENING BUSINESS

A. Call to Order

The meeting of the Citizens' Measure A Oversight Committee was called to order by Chairperson Vicky Stiles at 6:06 p.m. on Monday, June 1, 2015, in Staff Development Room A of the Arcadia Education Center.

B. Roll Call

Committee Members present: Matt McSweeney, Anthony Parrille, Vicky Stiles, Jennifer Tom (present beginning Item No. I.D.), Lynne Whitaker, Gary Yamada

Committee Members absent: Albert Sylvia

Staff present: Christina Aragon, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Connie Chu, Senior Administrative Assistant; Ryan Foran, Public Information Officer

Consultants: 0

Visitors: 0

C. Approval of Agenda

Motion: A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented.

Moved by: Anthony Parrille

Seconded by: Lynne Whitaker

Approved: 5-0

D. Approval of Minutes: February 3, 2015

Motion: A motion was made to approve the minutes as presented.

Moved by: Lynne Whitaker

Seconded by: Matt McSweeney
Approved: 6-0

II. PARCEL TAX UPDATE

A. Report on Parcel Tax Collections/Exemptions

Ms. Aragon reviewed the report for expected parcel tax collections and exemptions for 2014-2015. Revenue balances for fiscal years 2013/14 and 2012/13 were added to show what is still outstanding as amounts received don't show what year they are for. The District is working with the LA County Treasurer's Office to obtain more detailed info.

B. Report on Expenditures

Ms. Aragon reviewed the Expenditure Report for 2014-2015, which covers approximately 32 teachers and 3 counselors.

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. LCAP Update

Ms. Aragon said districts are funded through the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF). Under the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP), districts will get a base grant in addition to supplemental and concentration grants (based on a percentage of total enrollment of English learners, low income, and foster children). Ms. Aragon will bring a list of districts and their number of unduplicated counts to the next meeting.

The LCAP must be developed, adopted by the Governing Board, and updated annually. A public hearing is held at the first Board meeting in June, and adoption takes place at the second Board meeting in June.

The District conducted a ThoughtExchange (survey consisting of three questions) districtwide, including parents/community. The information gathered will be shared. Based on the data gathered, the District (through stakeholders and according to the eight State requirements) came up with four goals:

Through an engaging and collaborative process:

- 1) Provide ALL students high quality, effective classroom instruction and curriculum resulting in college and career readiness
- 2) Maintain financially conservative practices that ensure fiscal integrity of the district and align resources to improve student performance today and into the future
- 3) Recruit, develop and retain high quality staff committed to the success of all students

- 4) Develop the “whole child” so that every student is healthy, safe, connected, supported and challenged

The goal is the outcome and the action steps describe how the District will get there. If the parcel tax doesn't continue, the District will have to look at the program as a whole and consider cuts.

B. 2014-2015 Annual Report Planning

The Committee expressed interest in continuing with the same format. A draft of the 2014-2015 Annual Report will be provided at the next meeting.

C. Terms for Citizens' Measure A Oversight Committee Members

Ms. Aragon asked the members to complete the form provided to confirm their ability to continue serving on the Citizens' Measure A Oversight Committee.

D. Questions & Answers

The following questions were asked by the Committee and answered by District staff:

Q: Is the State involved with the parcel tax?

A: Parcel tax is a local measure. Funds do not flow through the State.

Q: How are students classified as English learner?

A: They are tested at a certain time during the year.

Q: Would the next parcel tax be an extension?

A: A new parcel tax would require a vote by the community. The Governing Board has an interest in considering another parcel tax.

Q: Where do the developer fees collected go?

A: Developer fees can only be used for facilities.

Q: In Goal 4 of the LCAP, will there be new hired staff or redesignated staff?

A: Redesignated staff – the District will continue to look at possible options.

IV. COMMENTS

A. Audience

None.

B. Committee

None.

C. Staff

Ms. Aragon said a revised meeting schedule will be presented at the next meeting for approval as the meeting in May is on Memorial Day.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: A motion was made to adjourn the Citizens' Measure A Oversight Committee meeting at 6:56 p.m.

Moved by: Anthony Parrille

Seconded by: Matt McSweeney

Approved: 6-0

NEXT CITIZENS' MEASURE A OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, October 5, 2015

6:00 p.m.