

WCCUSD Community Budget Advisory Committee

Alvarado Campus

August 1, 2013

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM

Attendance

Committee Members Present: Sheri Gamba, Charles Johnson, Todd Groves, Germaine Quiter, Ken Ryan, Antonio Medrano

Committee Members Absent: Eduardo Martinez, Paul Shatswell

Other Attendees: Mary Flanagan, Francie Kunaniec, Greg Whaling

***Due to absence of Eduardo Martinez, Sheri Gamba chaired the meeting.**

Minutes

Due to lack of a quorum, the minutes from the April 25th could not be approved, therefore, will be reviewed at the next meeting to be held on September 26, 2013.

Membership

Discussion of the need for a parent and business leader on the committee. Erwin Reeves, Robert Studdiford and Tammy Campbell have resigned. Antonio Medrano will seek participants at the City of San Pablo and Pinole City Council meetings. We need someone to go to the Richmond City Council meetings to seek Business Leaders for our CBAC committee. Suggestion was to ask Randy Enos (Board Member). Mr. Medrano also requested that we send a letter to those persons who resigned from the CBAC committee to confirm their resignation. The updated roster will be ratified at the August 12th board meeting. New member is Mary Flanagan, a teacher at Nystrom and the UTR representative on the committee. She will fill the teacher slot and Ken Ryan will be moved to the Community Member position.

Calendar

The calendar for 2013-2014 was reviewed and it was agreed to move the Student Attendance presentation from the September to the October meeting and to include Common Core Standards at the September meeting.

Chairs Report

None due to absence of the Eduardo Martinez.

Standing Updates (State/Federal Budget)

Discussion as to Sheri's presentation given at the July 24th Board meeting. The Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) is the largest change in funding school districts in a very long time. The budget was adopted in June 2013 based on current Revenue Limit law despite knowing the laws were going to change. At that time, 175 million was unrestricted. A 45-day Budget Revision was presented to the Board and sent to the County. On August 12th, the State will start taking public comments. Sheri suggested that the Districts push the State to allocate the funds as unrestricted under LCFF under the supplemental and concentrated grants. If it goes to be restricted funds, it will cause a big hardship for the District. At this time, the LCFF is promised to be unrestricted.

It is estimated that the District will receive an extra 6.4 million more than originally anticipated however; not sure how we will receive the money.

LCFF-Discussion as to what the Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) report on LCFF and their interpretation of the intent of the legislation. It includes ADA for free and reduced lunch (FRL), English Language programs. The Local Control Accountability Program (LCAP) that is coming will be having more restrictions on the funds. Hopefully more information about this program will be forthcoming by next January.

Under the LCFF, the District is expected to receive:

158.8 million base for all grades

21.4 million supplemental (FRL, ESL)

9.9 million concentration (FRL & ESL over 55% of District ADA)

Grades are broken down by: 1-3, 4-8, 9-12 and we receive different amount for each grade and add for ESL and FRL.

The LAO Report (page 2) is the overview of the Local Control Funding Formula. The target is 8 years away, and each year the District is required to meet certain percentage goals towards that 8 year mark. There is no guarantee whether the 8 year target mark will be met.

45-Day Budget Revision (Executive Summary): Discussion of Appendix A, 1st row reflects the original Adopted Budget:

\$175 million unrestricted

\$ 80 million restricted

\$255.4 million total

LCFF change will reflect 196 million unrestricted and reduce restricted from 80 million to 65 million for a net 6.4 million increase for the District.

Tier III is gone; still have EIA, Home to School, Special Education.

31.3 million is potentially restricted in concentrated and supplemental portion of LCFF.

65 million in old restricted funds remains

State did buy down some state deferrals however; still not receiving the money in the year it is owed but we are getting it sooner than we previously did.

Special Education-still restricted (State and Federal), page 7 of the LAO report, programs under LCFF. If eliminated, means no longer have separate funding. Doesn't mean that the District eliminated that program, just need to find another way to fund them.

Adult Education – rolled funding into the base grant. Any District that operates Adult Education must do for another 2 years, and then it gets rolled into the Contra Costa Community College Consortium District. A Grant Program is available at that time.

Since the budget was adopted June 26th, the District has incurred additional expenses for SROs and CSR in the amount of 2.5 million. (2 million is cost for additional teachers for CSR)

Budgeted Expenditures:

12.8 million previously restricted now is in unrestricted. Presumably 6.5 million could be argued to be part of concentrated and supplemental category. An additional 14.9 million could also be noted as supplemental and concentrated category as we teach an additional 5 days per calendar year (180), although law only requires 175 days.

The District partially spent special reserves in order to break even with our budget.

But due to deficit (Adult Ed, CSR, SRO), we will end with a 5.5 million deficit. If the State decides to restrict everything, then the District will end up with a 15 million deficit.

Good of the Order:

None

Public Comment

None

Next meeting is September 26 19, 2013

Adjourn

8:15 pm