

WCCUSD Governance Subcommittee

Alvarado Adult Education Campus

March 28, 2016

Minutes

Approved April 18, 2016

I. Opening Procedures

A. Roll Call and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Committee Member Todd Groves.

Committee Members Present: Todd Groves; Ms. Cuevas arrived at 6:46 PM.

Other Attendees: Bruce Harter, Superintendent; Debbie Haynie, Executive Secretary

B. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Groves approved the meeting agenda.

C. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Groves approved the Minutes of February 22, 2016

II. Discussion Items

Public Comment:

Mr. Tom Panas distributed a policy proposal for the Community Budget Advisory Committee. He commended the efforts to restructure the committee.

A. Framing Public Input on the Budget Process

Mr. Groves invited those in attendance to join in conversation to share input regarding consolidation of some of the actions of the Community Budget Advisory Committee (CBAC) while maximizing community engagement without duplicating efforts among other committees.

Participants included Rhem Bell, Alex Beltran, Kim Chamberlain, Sara Danielson, Demetrio Gonzalez, Amanda Henderson, John Irminger, Francie Kunaniec, Bobby Ohs-Dowling, Maria Resendiz, Felicia Robertson, Eric Swabeck, Martin Trujillo, and Tyrone Weems. The participants represented PTA; administrators, the Solutions Team, teachers and classified labor unions; school site councils; ELAC, LCAP, and MDAC committees.

Mr. Groves began the discussion about changing the charter for the CBAC. Superintendent Harter pointed out the conceptual drawing and timeline for budget development in the graphic Budget Development Process.

Discussion included the differences between the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and CBAC, functions of each, parcel tax oversight, statewide funding, budget development and community education, and function of specific committees.

Chairperson Cuevas arrived at the meeting and spoke of developing a broader mechanism to address specific concerns, promoting stakeholder engagement in appropriate roles in the budget process.

Discussion continued with points regarding overlap of functionality among committees, strategies for public education, aspects of Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) and the full budget. Speakers pointed out that most members of the public want to know the budget basics and

percentages of funds spent. Superintendent Harter shared that next fall Business Services will begin to implement an online budget tool that will offer the public opportunity to “drill down” on all aspects of the district budget as well as school site budgets.

Committee Discussion:

Chairperson Cuevas and Mr. Groves said that the goal was to develop a recommendation to present to the Board for consideration. Mr. Groves proposed developing a recommendation and allowing public discussion at the next subcommittee meeting. He repeated his commitment to fewer meetings with less overlap and more pertinent engagement.

Ms. Cuevas spoke about examining the charter of the CBAC and the suggestion to separate parcel tax oversight to a separate committee, with the CBAC made up of members of the committees illustrated in the Budget Development Process graphic.

III. Discuss / Approve Next Steps

Ms. Cuevas recommended formalizing a framework for the CBAC Charter along with a draft framework for a Parcel Tax Committee. It was determined that drafts will be available for review and input at the next meeting.

The next meeting of the Governance Subcommittee was scheduled for Monday, April 18, 2016, 6:30 PM at the Alvarado Adult Education campus.

IV. Adjournment

Chairperson Cuevas adjourned the meeting at 8:05 PM.