WEST CONTRA COSTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Budget Committee

ZOOM Video Conference March 5th, 2021 MINUTES

I. Opening Procedures

A. Roll Call & Introductions

Chairperson Leslie Reckler called the meeting to order at 3:02 PM.

Committee Members Present: Chairperson Leslie Reckler and Trustee Mister Phillips.

Staff Present: Dr. Tony Wold, Associate Superintendent, Business Services, Regina Webber, Director, Business Services, Lyn Potter Director, State and Federal Department, Maria Resendiz, translator

B. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Phillips moved approval of Agenda. Chairperson Leslie Reckler Seconded. Motion carried.

C. Approval of January 22nd Minutes

Chairperson Leslie Reckler motioned to table January 22nd minutes for next budget committee meeting and Trustee Mister Phillips seconded.

D.Public Comment(for items not listed on the agenda)

No Public Comment

II. Discussion Items

A. Title III Overview

Chairperson Leslie Reckler introduced Bill Clark, Deputy Superintendent from Contra Costa County Office of Education and Sonia Trujillo, EL Specialist Coordinator from Contra Costa County Office of Education, Title III for Region 4. Ms. Trujillo presented to the committee a presentation of the purpose and use of Title III funds.

Dr. Wold provided various examples of schools in WCCUSD that have programs of what is and what is not allowed to use Title III funds. He also explained that the district had to journal some of title III expenditures from last school year and the year before to make sure Title III funds are going to be expenditures for English Learners only.

Chairperson Leslie Reckler had questions on how audits work. Lyn Potter explained that FPM is a program audit not a fiscal audit. FPM looks at budget but are really looking at the budget through the context of the program of meeting students needs. She also asked the presenters what type of questions do board members in the budget committee use for best practices to ensure correct and faithful oversight . Ms. Trujillo recommended the board to always connect as a team, discuss, and review the vision, goals, expenditures of Title III. Dr. Wold added that as a board member they should be able to see that an English learner student has a dedicated block of ELD built into their instructional day as part of the base model.

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Trustee Mister Phillips added that the master plan is an old master plan and is glad that Mr. Aurlio and MDAC are working on updating it. He recommended to expedite the master plan but assuring the work is done the right way.

Public Comment

Stephanie Sequeira

B. Update on the State Budget and Second Interim Budget Report

Dr. Wold presented the most up-to-date information on the State Budget that has been currently changing during the week. He also explained the three certifications that the county office determines on the interim reports and how that will impact the Second Interim Budget for WCCUSD. The committee clarified that they are declaring a positive certification on the second interim report.

Public Comment

No Public Comment

C. Managing the District's unfunded liabilities

Dr. Wold explained to the board committee that the school district is currently accruing unfunded liabilities such as leaves, vacation, and other Post Employment Benefits due to COVID19 pandemic not allowing staff to request vacation days because there is nowhere to go . Dr. Wold recommended the committee to use one time money to buy out the vacation hours staff has not used during the school year and it will help bring down the liability amount. Bill Clark a greed with Dr. Wold's recommendation. The committee recommended to bring the current item to the board of education for approval.

Public Comment:

Maria Resendiz

III. Budget Committee Next Meeting Date

March 19, 2021

IV. Adjournment

Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 5:03 PM.