Measure AA Citizens Oversight Committee
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 21, 2025
3:45-4:45 p.m.
TTUSD District Office: Boardroom
11603 Donner Pass Rd., Truckee, CA 96161
North Tahoe High School: Library
2945 Polaris Rd., Tahoe City, CA 96145
(Two locations will be joined via Google Meet)

1. Meeting Called to Order

    a. Todd Rivera introduced Chairperson Hayden Pruitt, who called the meeting to order at 3:50 p.m.
    b. Quorum was established with 18 voting members present

2. Welcome and Introductions

    a. Those in attendance at both lakeside and Truckee side locations introduced themselves

3. Approval of Agenda

    a. Amanda Helm motioned to approve the agenda; Laurie Kuntz seconded; unanimous approval of agenda

4. Public Comment

    a. None

5. District Update

    a. Superintendent Kramer provided updates on the District and the Strategic Plan, and reviewed the presentation linked above
    b. Appreciation for school administrators during Principal Appreciation Month this month
    c. The district received a Golden Bell award from the California School Boards Association for family and community engagement, highlighting efforts at North Tahoe School and North Tahoe High School, which were both pilot schools for a state cohort; these initiatives will be expanding at

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Truckee Elementary School; the goal is to increase communication with families; TTUSD will be recognized the first Wednesday in December with 21 TTUSD employees in attendance

d. The food services program received recognition from the USDA as a small rural lunch trailblazer for decreasing the amount of processed food in school meals, removing less healthy options, and increasing scratch cooking; the Food Service program was featured in Time magazine in August for its scratch cooking initiatives.
e. Strategic Plan Update - currently in year three of the three-year plan focusing on academic achievement, support systems, and community connections
    i. Academic Achievement - full rollout of transitional kindergarten (TK) for TTUSD; serves any child that turns 4 by September 1 of the school year; currently have about 200 students, 11 TK classrooms, and 17 TK Instructional Assistants; TK has a focus on purposeful play
    ii. Academic Achievement - focus on expanding opportunities for students to explore personal interests; Truckee High School hosted a career fair where many different schools/career opportunities were represented; there was also a STARS College Network Workshop where North Tahoe High School and Truckee High School students could meet with representatives from prestigious schools
    iii. Support Systems - a parent superintendent advisory committee and students held a discussion on artificial intelligence (AI); students discussed the impact of AI and whether it would help to inform their schooling and career choices; the District will form a workgroup to develop an AI board policy; currently TTUSD is a Google District

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with Gemini available for staff to use, but AI for children doesn't meet the District's safety standards for chat interaction; data security with Gemini is great, as TTUSD owns all our data; Superintendent Kramer expressed concerns about cognitive offloading with AI, and wants to ensure it enhances student learning without students using it as a crutch; the group will meet next month and they are looking for representatives from all schools

iv. Support Systems - TTUSD has ongoing work on safety; in August we held an emergency preparedness training with local emergency response agencies, including law enforcement and emergency services, as well as a consultant, Resolute Associates; day two of the training focused on school site planning for emergency preparedness and parent reunification

v. Community Connections - a team from TTUSD participated in the Town of Truckee Block Party and talked about Measure AA at the event; they had a presentation board with information and photos; there was also a hopes and dreams board for community members to offer their feedback

vi. Community Connections - reenvisioning of Rideout into an outdoor school hub; Alder Creek Middle School 6th graders participated in a successful overnight program where they stayed 3 days/2 nights and did outdoor activities; North Tahoe School was scheduled to go as well, but postponed their trip due to weather; shoutouts to SWEP, TINS, and Headwaters for leading this program as well as Suzie Dale for being the Camp Director and Ed Hilton for his support and assistance

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6. Approval of 2025-2026 Measure AA Budget - October Adjustment

    a. Measure AA supplies budget was updated based on CALPADS enrollment numbers taken the first week of October; amounts were updated based on whether site has increased or decreased in enrollment
    b. Staffing/FTE doesn't change at all
    c. Last sheet of the packet shows the original budget vs. revised budget
    d. There was a question asking if enrollment numbers are for TK-5 or K-5; TK numbers are used, but last year's numbers were used for the initial budget, so increases in TK enrollment weren't taken into account for the initial budget
    e. There was a question about way the budget is derived; it is formula driven based on enrollment
    f. There was a question about what is done if there is a surplus of Measure AA funds; TTUSD doesn't receive enough parcel tax revenue to cover all Measure AA programming and we back-fill the deficit with the General fund, so there is never a Measure AA surplus
    g. Amy King motioned to approve the updated budget; Katie Lord seconded; unanimous approval of updated budget

7. New Steering Committee Community Representative

    a. We are looking for a new volunteer community representative to be on the steering committee
    b. Laurie Kuntz is currently filling this role and will remain on until we find a new representative
    c. This person can be a current site community representative

8. Officer Elections - Assistant Chairperson and Secretary

    a. We are still looking for an Assistant Chairperson and Secretary

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b. Todd Rivera proposed that we remove the “past chairperson” role from the bylaws; after reviewing the bylaws, we have not filled the “past chairperson” role; our past chairperson is no longer in the area, so cannot serve on the committee; Amy King motioned to approve this change, Katie Lord seconded; unanimous approval of removing the “past chairperson” role

9. Election Timeline

a. Measure AA will expire after the 27/28 school year; Measure AA supplies over $6.8 million in supplies and staff budgets; looking at a potential June 2026 election for the renewal of Measure AA
b. TTUSD is meeting with a campaign consultant soon; will be polling the community and performing a feasibility study for community support and the amount the community is willing to contribute for a parcel tax
c. Will have more information early in the calendar year; if there is enough support, TTUSD will adopt a resolution by the Board 90 days before the election and take the renewal to ballot in June
d. An independent committee will be formed to campaign
e. There was a question about whether the campaign consultant will advise on the political impact of other current ballot measures; yes - they have a pulse on other elections and what might conflict as well as a pulse on the voting environment, and take this into account
f. The independent campaign group will get a consultant for the campaign (can be the same consultant)
g. Currently waiting for the library ballot and then will poll afterwards
h. There was a question on whether there have been marketing efforts on behalf of Measure AA; yes - a flyer was sent to all mailboxes in TTUSD boundaries, Superintendent Kramer did a thank you op-ed in the Moonshine Ink and Sierra Sun to thank community members for Measure AA support, and Measure AA has been highlighted in TTUSD newsletters and social media

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10. Measure AA Site Highlights

    a. Glenshire Elementary School

        i. Principal Rachael Kuttel reviewed highlights and photos from the handout, and discussed items in each category of the Measure AA Budget, detailing how Measure AA funds are used for special teachers (art, PE, librarian, music, science), counseling, the wellness center, extracurricular activities and supplies, field trips, visual and performing arts, PE equipment, technology subscriptions (like for the million word club), social-emotional learning activities (Peace Makers, mindfulness), and library books

    b. North Tahoe School

        i. Principal Chad Lindeen reviewed highlights and photos from the handout, and discussed items in each category of the Measure AA Budget, explaining the use of funds for the STEAM classroom (science, technology, engineering, art, and math), music programs, technology needs (loaner Chromebooks, auditorium items), instructional materials (social studies supplements, Scholastic News), academic enhancement (substitute teachers, transportation for field trips), and library books.

11. Other Business

    a. Future Meeting Dates: December 16, 2025

12. Adjournment

    a. Hayden Pruitt adjourned the meeting at 4:43 p.m.