Measure AA Citizens Oversight Committee
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 19, 2024
3:30-4:30 p.m.

TTUSD District Office: Conference Room A
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(Two locations will be joined via Google Meet)

1. Meeting Called to Order
    a. Stephanie Bragg called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m.
2. Welcome and Introductions
    a. Everyone from both the District Office and North Tahoe High School locations introduced themselves.
3. Approval of Agenda - Hien, Sarah
    a. Hien Larson motioned to approve the agenda; Sara Sperry seconded
4. Public Comment
    a. None
5. District Update - Superintendent Kramer gave update
    a. Transitional Kindergarten/Kindergarten Preview Nights are taking place
        i. New: TLE and GES are joining other elementaries with full day Kindergarten
        ii. TLE had preview night March 7 - Principal Foucek reported that families were ready to enroll that night and bought swag
        iii. GES has their preview night on March 28

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iv. Families do not need to attend preview night to enroll
v. District website has all of the dates of preview nights listed

b. Strategic Plan Framework
   i. Academic Achievement
      1. Ensuring high quality instructional materials - currently piloting math materials at all grade levels except TK; survey went out to math teachers to get final input; committee will take all input and recommend whether or not to move forward with Carnegie for Middle/High Schools and Eureka for Elementary Schools
      2. Professional development for staff - Educational Services Department is providing teacher collaboration sessions; 30 teaching teams have taken advantage of this opportunity
      3. New recruitment tool called Team Tailor for classified staff; are currently onboarding 3 new bus drivers due to this tool
   ii. Support Systems - infrastructures and relationships
      1. Facilities Master Plan (FMP) - Facilities team has been working with architectural firm, Lionakis, as well as sites/depts on developing FMP to guide facility plans for the next 8-10 years; the FMP will be going to Board for approval on the 3/20/24 Board Meeting
      2. Last Wednesday, 3/13, there was a Board Study Session with a student panel; provided additional opportunities for student voice; student representatives from NTHS and THS were there; students stated their favorite classes are those that are hands on (CTE); Board wants to explore the concern of issues with drug and alcohol use: students didn't express that drug/alcohol use was a concern as much in this Spring session as in the Fall session

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iii. Community Connections
1. Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Summit - first one post pandemic; consisted of District-level English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC), PTO leaders, and administration; Transportation Department discussed field trip/bus process; school insurance was discussed; there was also time to collaborate
2. DELAC leaders are ready to scale things up to ensure equity across District

6. Measure AA Site Highlight

a. Alder Creek Middle School - Principal Hien Larson reviewed highlights from handout and discussed items in each category of Measure AA funding, including various programs and supplies, as well as reviewed photos included in handout

i. Elective classes - Ukulele; rubik's cube; digital filming class
ii. Science - live organisms
iii. Robotics, coding
iv. Library, wellness center, PE

7. Discuss Ideas of Promoting Measure AA Accomplishments to the Community - Amber Burke reviewed progress
a. Measure AA highlighted at PTO Summit - participants did a “what do you know, what do you want to know, and what did you learn” activity; many notes were about Measure AA, and it was great to get that feedback
b. Highlighted Measure AA in January newsletter

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c. Booked spot in Good Morning Truckee in June, and will discuss Measure AA; checking in with North Shore Chamber as well
d. Social Media campaign; Natalie Diaz, District Office Receptionist, will be helping
e. Website refresh; current launch date is end of May; there is a spot on the homepage to highlight Measure AA
f. Conversations with Moonshine Ink and Sierra Sun to highlight District topics, including Measure AA

8. Other Business

a. Todd Rivera discussed how the Measure AA budget is split into different categories, and is different at elementary and middle/high school levels, and the potential need for exceptions
    i. Category examples: materials and supplies, science, CTE, art, technology maintenance and supplies
    ii. Categories align with ballot language
    iii. One thing not set in stone is how we allocate the money into each category
    iv. Supplies are based on number of students for materials category
    v. There has been some feedback on technology category and concerns with being able to spend down those funds
    vi. Request to give school sites flexibility to use those funds for a different Measure AA purpose
    vii. Does the committee want to allow an exception request in a certain year to move those funds to another category?
    viii. Are there other categories that are difficult to spend down?
    ix. Ideas that other sites use technology funds for?

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x. Stephanie Bragg states that there is an exception request form that can be completed, and then the COC can then determine if they want to grant the exception
xi. Are there certain categories the COC doesn't want to move funds for? Set parameters/rules for exceptions?
xii. Come back to next meeting with some examples/scenario to get an idea of what sites might need an exception on
xiii. Rachael Kuttel addressed how at GES, the technology teacher retired, so the site met and decided to remove the technology lab and add art; budget for technology didn't transfer over to art and not having a technology lab has made it challenging to spend down those funds; want to ensure funds are spent in a way that makes sense for students

b. Future Meeting Dates
    i. Next Meeting Scheduled for May 21, 2024

9. Adjournment

a. Stephanie Bragg adjourned the meeting at 4:04 p.m.