Measure AA Citizens Oversight Committee
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 17, 2024
3:45-4:45 p.m.
TTUSD District Office: Conference Room A
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 called the meeting to order at 3:50 p.m.
2. Welcome and Introductions
    a. Those in attendance 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. Academic Achievement
        i. Focus on professional learning; TTUSD held a Professional Development Summit at NTHS/NTS; there were a number of teacher leaders and staff that presented on their expertise; there were over 40 sessions focused on the social emotional wellbeing of staff and students
        ii. New math curriculum was adopted; since parents are an important partner in the success of their students, TTUSD organized two Family Math Nights, where we brought in professional trainers from the curriculum publishers

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1. Tonight (Dec. 17) at 6:00 at KBE there is a math night about elementary curriculum
2. Last week (Dec. 12) was the middle and high school curriculum session at NTS

b. Support Systems
   i. There was a social emotional learning kickoff back in October with a speaker, Coach Rudy, that our wellness team organized; staff enjoyed this
   ii. School safety - the District Safety Committee meets every other month to review safety plans/topics and enhance safety at our sites; TTUSD held School Safety Information Nights at both Truckee side and Lakeside locations; law enforcement partners spoke and shared how they support TTUSD with interagency training/supports; law enforcement has a highly detailed safety plan for all schools with site specific safety information
c. Community Connections
   i. We have a focus on getting kids outside and outdoor learning experiences; there is an organization that rated every district in California using a rubric based on specific criteria related to environmental and climate action; CTO Ed Hilton went to a conference on the topic as well; on the scorecard, TTUSD received 13.5 out of 20 points; the average for California districts is 6 and the Placer County average is 4.7; this shows that TTUSD has good policies in place about environmental sustainability and literacy
   ii. TTUSD has been looking for uses for our Rideout facility; it is not currently used by TTUSD, but we are looking to turn it into an outdoor learning hub; we are also partnering with Ward Creek State Park, which is right next door to the site, on this project

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6. Officer Elections

    a. Chairperson, Assistant Chairperson, Secretary

    b. We have received some interest through emails, but no one has applied officially; one requirement is that you need to reside within the district boundaries to hold a position; we are still actively recruiting

7. Measure AA Annual Financial Report

    a. This is an annual report that will be presented at the Board Meeting tomorrow (12/18); we submit this report to the county to show we are in compliance
    b. There was a reported total revenue for the Measure AA parcel tax of $5,636,014.05
    c. There were total expenditures of $6,630,880.48
    d. There was a net revenue less expenditures of -$994,866.43, which is a shortfall - this is what the District contributes to maintain Measure AA funded programs as allocated
    e. We don't foresee a large increase in revenues

8. Measure AA Site Highlight

    a. Truckee Elementary School - Principal Ryan Galles reviewed handout and discussed items in each category of Measure AA funding
        i. Extra Curricular Activities and Supplies - ceramics (ornaments, gifts, art projects); Morning Boost Before School Intervention program; first grade power readers, literacy night; program for kindgarten swim instruction, SWEP activities

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ii. Visual and Performing Arts - TES had no music teacher last year, but have a full time music teacher this year; replacement instruments
iii. Instructional Materials and Supplies - copy machine maintenance contract, office supplies, IXL online math support program
iv. PE Equipment - Gaga Ball Pit, soccer goals
v. Technology - battery replacement, charging cables
vi. Social Emotional Learning - new SEL curriculum called Toolbox
vii. Science - Mystery Science, food for animals in science lab
viii. Library - library books

b. North Tahoe School - Principal Chad Lindeen reviewed handout and discussed items in each category of Measure AA funding; he discussed how the PTO has helped to support some Measure AA funded field trips and enhance experiences for students; he also discussed how Measure AA pays for a band teacher, a STEAM teacher, an art teacher, and a half FTE counselor; Heidi Bushway Verkler spoke about Media Yearbook class, where they create the school yearbook
   i. Music - band teacher manages the budget, new instruments, parts, repairs
   ii. Technology - chromebook replacements and Heidi Bushway Verkler's program
   iii. Instructional Materials and Supplies - supplies, calculators, extra books
   iv. Academic Enhancement
   v. PE Equipment - PE teacher manages budget
   vi. Library Materials - Librarian manages budget
   vii. Science - two field trips (iFly and Headwaters for 6th grade), supplies

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9. Measure AA Filming Day - On Friday, December 13, 2024, Amber Burke, Coordinator of District Communications and Parent Engagement, and Dan Martin from Tahoe Truckee Media visited Kings Beach Elementary, North Tahoe School, and North Tahoe High School to begin a filming project aimed at capturing footage of all the fantastic impacts and programs Measure AA allows our schools to offer. The intent is to capture footage from all TTUSD district schools and utilize this footage on several promotional video projects demonstrating the value of Measure AA to our community. Linked is a quick draft showcasing some of the footage captured.

10. Other Business

    a. Future Meeting Dates: March 18, 2025 and April 29, 2025

11. Adjournment

    a. Todd Rivera adjourned the meeting at 4:23 p.m.