# Irvine Unified School District MEASURE E CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (COC) MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 28, 2025

**Meeting Location:** Lakeside Middle School – Multipurpose Room

Call to Order: The meeting of the Measure E Citizens Oversight Committee (Committee) was

called to order.

**Roll Call:** Roll call conducted via sign in sheet.

Members Present: Barbara Belfield (Chair), Daniel Tudo, Margie Wakeham, Raymond Lee, Ruby

Lin, Samuel Jacoby (Vice Chair), and Steve Morton

Members Absent: Nancy Reisinger and Sharad Gima

**IUSD Staff:** John Fogarty (Assistant Superintendent, Business Services), Kelvin Okino

(Executive Director, Facilities & Construction) and Nicole Reynolds

(Administrative Assistant, Facilities & Construction).

Next Meeting Date: Monday, July 28, 2025. Location to be determined.

# Measure E Citizens Oversight Committee Business

#### 1. Call to Order; Roll Call

A. Chair Barbara Belfield called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM. Roll call was conducted via signin sheet.

## 2. Tour of Lakeside Middle School Measure E Improvements

A. Kelvin Okino led a tour of Lakeside Middle School. He toured the Committee through the science classroom improvements that were completed in Series 1 (2017). In addition, he toured the areas scheduled for the upcoming Series 4 (2025) improvements, which includes a new music classroom, renovation to the existing MPR, renovation to the existing nutrition services renovation, and a reconfiguration of the administration office area. The administration office improvements are included as a Bid Alternate and may become part of the project if favorable bids are received.

# 3. Approval of February 3, 2025 Meeting Minutes

A. Chair Barbara Belfield opened the minutes for discussion. There were no items for discussion. Chair Barbara Belfield motioned to approve the minutes and Vice Chair Steve Morton seconded. The February 3, 2025 minutes were approved.

## 4. Measure E Series Financial Reports (2016A-Series 1, 2018B-Series 2, 2021C-Series 3 and AFAP)

- A. John Fogarty discussed Series 1, 2, 3, and AFAP reports:
  - i. Series 1: Budgets in green are Final Budgets, there is a \$1.9 million surplus.

- ii. Series 2: Budgets in yellow are Post-Bid Budgets, anticipate a \$2.1 million surplus.
- iii. Series 3: Budgets in yellow are Initial Budgets, anticipate a \$12.9 million deficit due to labor shortages and inflation. Working on funding strategies to ensure Series 4 and Series 5 projects are not affected.
- iv. Member Margie Wakeham asked what the State budget looks like.
  - John Fogarty responded that capital gains are lower than in the past. We don't know what the governor is going to do with the budget. We will get a better idea in May 2025. The California fires might affect budgets. There is an estimated \$250 billion economic loss caused by the fires that will affect the State budget.
- v. Augmented Funds to Accelerate Projects (AFAP): Budgets in yellow are Initial Budgets.

# 5. Measure E Updates

- A. Kelvin Okino presented a PowerPoint presentation that covered Budget, State Funding, Schedule, and Project Updates for the Measure E program.
- B. Budget
  - i. Revised Bond Series
    - Kelvin Okino presented the Bond series issued to date and a table illustrating the iterations through the years with forecasted total bond sales.
  - ii. Funding Timeline
    - Kelvin Okino presented the funding timeline summarizing the various funding sources for the program.
  - iii. Budget Versions
    - Kelvin Okino presented the budget cycle from the start of a project to the completion.
  - iv. Budget Summary
    - Kelvin Okino presented a summary of fund sources for the Measure E projects and cumulative summary of the remaining funds.
      - Member Samuel Jacoby asked what would happen if there are funds leftover after all
        of the planned projects are completed.
        - i. Kelvin Okino responded there are several projects that were deferred and could be placed back into the Bond work. In addition, there are additional projects that might be added into the Bond work if funds are available.
      - Member Steve Morton asked about when will Series 5 projects be planned.
        - i. Kelvin Okino responded that Series 5 projects have been identified and would be funded through the final Bond sale.
      - Member Margie Wakeham asked about possible recession.
        - i. John Fogarty responded that everyone is looking at the tariff issues now and are unsure if it will affect the Measure E projects.
  - v. Post-Bid Budget vs Final Budget

• Kelvin Okino discussed the differences in the Post-Bid and Final Budgets for the twenty-seven (27) projects.

## vi. Change Orders

- Kelvin Okino presented the following:
  - Final Change Orders percentage for completed projects (\$215.9 million) is 1.06%
  - Series 1: Final Change Order percentage for the twenty-five (25) projects is 0.22% based on \$113.6 million in construction costs.
  - Series 2: Final Change Order percentage for four (4) projects is -0.07% based on \$19.9 million in construction costs.
  - Series 3: Final Change Order percentage for eight (8) projects is 2.83% based on \$69.0 million in construction costs.
  - AFAP: Final Change Order percentages is four (4) projects is 0.77% based on \$13.3 million in construction costs.

## C. State Funding

- i. To date, \$46.8 million in State grant funds have been received.
- ii. Kelvin Okino explained the three (3) steps to the State grant funding process and elaborated on the following:
  - Step 1a "Acknowledged" which list projects there were submitted and beyond the Proposition 51 available funds. Currently, there are zero (0) projects.
  - Step 1b "Workload" which list projects submitted and under review by the State. Currently, there is one (1) project for \$452,110.
  - Step 2 "Unfunded" which list projects submitted and waiting for funds to be approved under Proposition 51. Currently, there are zero (0) projects.
  - Step 3 "Apportioned". List the projects submitted, approved, and waiting for Proposition 51 State funds. Currently, there are zero (0) projects.

## D. Schedule

- i. Kelvin Okino discussed the program schedule for Series 4 projects:
  - Series 4 is in the design phase for the following sites:
    - University HS Performing Arts Center Upgrades;
    - Lakeside MS New Multipurpose Room & Nutrition Services;
    - Venado MS MPR Improvements;
    - Northwood HS New Practice Gym and PAC Improvements;
    - College Park ES Nutrition Services Expansion; and
    - Sierra Vista MS New Music Classroom.

# E. Project Updates

- i. Kelvin Okino presented several slides discussing upcoming challenges.
  - General Election (November 5, 2024). Proposition 2, *The Kindergarten through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair,*

and Safety Bond Act of 2024, was passed. Proposition 2 provides \$10.0 billion in funding of which \$8.5 billion is set aside for K-12 school facilities. In addition, \$45.4 billion were passed at the K-12 and community college level. As a result, California voters passed \$54.4 billion in educational-related bond measures. Of this amount, approximately \$16.8 billion (37%) was passed in Los Angeles and Orange counties.

- Member Margie Wakeham asked about if the schools affected in the fires would get some of the Prop 2 money.
  - i. Kelvin Okino responded that some of Prop 2 funds could go to these schools.
- 2025 Construction Market concerns. Due to the number of bond measures passing, recent Los Angeles fires, tariff increases, and Federal-level changes there will be impacts to the construction industry. Staff will continue to monitor as projects are being planned.
- 2025 Construction Market potential impacts. There may be cost increases in construction materials and delays in materials (domestic and foreign). Potential decrease in construction labor, both skilled and unskilled. The professional workforce may be affected with less experience staff who may not be as familiar with the construction industry. In addition, there are still ongoing factors such as 'The Great Resignation' (partly due to COVID-19 pandemic), aging workforce, shrinking pipeline of new workers, and working conditions.
- ii. Kelvin Okino discussed the following Series 3 and Series 4 Project Updates
  - Irvine High School is complete and in the close-out phase. Building renderings versus final photos were included.;
  - College Park ES Nutrition Services Expansion is in the design phase. Updated renderings were included.;
  - Lakeside MS New Music Classroom and MPR Improvements is in the design phase.
     Updated renderings were included.;
  - Northwood HS New Practice Gym is in the design phase. Updated renderings were included.;
  - Sierra Vista MS Music Classroom and Nutrition Services Expansion is in the design phase. Updated renderings were included.;
  - University HS Performing Arts Center Improvements is in the design phase. Updated renderings were included.; and
  - Venado MS MPR Improvement is in the programming phase.

## 6. Questions

A. There were no additional questions or comments. The next Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 28, 2025. Location is to be determined.

#### 7. Adjournment

A. Chair Barbara Belfield asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting and Member Margie Wakeham seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 PM.