

Measure E
Independent Citizens
Bond Oversight Committee



IRVINE UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT

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1.0 Overview

Irvine Unified School District (“District”) General Obligation Bond Measure E (“Measure E”) was approved by the voters on June 7, 2016 within School Facilities Improvement District (“SFID”) No. 1 of the District. Approval of Measure E authorized the District to issue up to an aggregate principal amount of \$319,000,000 in General Obligation Bonds within SFID No. 1.

The Measure E election was conducted under Proposition 39, being chaptered as the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 and was approved and authorized subject to provisions of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, which established California Education Code Section 15278. California Education Code Section 15278 requires the establishment of an Independent Citizens Bond Oversight Committee in order to satisfy the accountability requirements of Proposition 39.

The Board of Education (“Board”) of the Irvine Unified School District established the Independent Citizens Bond Oversight Committee (“Committee”) on August 23, 2016. The Committee maintains the duties and rights set forth in the Bylaws. The Committee does not have legal capacity independent from the District. Moreover, the Committee is charged only with the responsibility for overseeing the expenditures of Measure E projects and bond proceeds.

2.0 Purpose

The purposes of the Committee are set forth in Proposition 39, and the Committee Bylaws were developed and approved subject to the applicable provisions of Proposition 39. The Committee is subject to the *Ralph M. Brown Public Meetings Act* (“Brown Act”) of the State of California and meetings are conducted in accordance with the provisions thereof. The District provides necessary administrative support to the Committee consistent with the Committee’s purposes, as set forth in Proposition 39.

3.0 Membership

Proposition 39 requires that the Committee consist of at least seven members appointed by the Board. As of September 2021, the Committee consisted of twelve individuals representing the following groups:

- 1) Parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District (one required, two representatives);
- 2) Both parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District and active in a parent-teacher organization, such as the Parent Teacher Association or a school site council (one required, three representatives);
- 3) Active in a business organization representing the business community located in the District (one required, two representatives).
- 4) Active in a senior citizen’s organization (one required, one representative);
- 5) Active in a bona-fide taxpayers association (one required, one representative); and
- 6) Members of the community at-large (two required, three representatives).

The following table lists the members, group representing, and current terms.

Member	Representative Group	Current Term
Jeffrey Schmehr	Parent/Guardian	Sept. 2020 – Sept. 2022
Daniel Tudo	Parent/Guardian	Sept. 2021 – Sept. 2023
Sharad Gima	Parent Active in PTO	Sept. 2021 – Sept. 2023
Ryan Larson	Parent Active in PTO	Sept. 2020 – Sept. 2022
Ruby Lin	Parent Active in PTO	Sept. 2021 – Sept. 2023
Steve Morton	Business Organization Representative	Sept. 2020 – Sept. 2022
Nancy Reisinger	Business Organization Representative	Sept. 2021 – Sept. 2023
Juneu Kim	Senior Citizen Organization Representative	Sept. 2021 – Sept. 2023
Patti Ragland	Bona-fide Taxpayers Association Representative	Sept. 2020 – Sept. 2022
Barbara Belfield	Member of Community At-Large	Sept. 2021 – Sept. 2023
Adele Heuer	Member of Community At-Large	Sept. 2020 – Sept. 2022
Margie Wakeham	Member of Community At-Large	Sept. 2021 – Sept. 2023

4.0 Committee Activities

In order to perform the duties as set forth within the Bylaws, the Committee engaged in the following authorized activities (where applicable):

- 1) District staff presented financial reports, various processes and approaches, communications, and regular updates on current projects. Handouts were distributed at the meetings and subsequently posted to the District’s Measure E website;
- 2) Received copies and reviewed the 2021-2022 annual Irvine Unified School District Building Fund (Measure E) Financial and Performance Audits (“Audits”) required by Proposition 39 (Article XIII A of the California Constitution);
- 3) Inspected District facilities and grounds for which bond proceeds have been or will be expended;
- 4) Reviewed efforts by the District to maximize bond proceeds by implementing various cost-saving measures;
- 5) Received from the Board, within three months of the District receiving the Audits, responses to any and all findings, recommendations, and concerns addressed in the Audits, and review said responses.

5.0 District Support

The District provided the Committee with the following technical and administrative assistance:

- 1) Prepared and posted public notices, as required by the Brown Act. Ensured that all notices to the public were provided in the same manner as notices regarding meetings of the District Board;
- 2) Provided meeting rooms with audio/visual equipment;
- 3) Prepared and distributed copies of meeting materials, such as agendas and reports;
- 4) Retained all Committee records and provided public access on the District website; and
- 5) Attended Committee proceedings and reported on the status of projects and expenditures of Measure E bond proceeds. The following District staff provided administrative support:
 - John Fogarty, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services;
 - Kelvin Okino, Executive Director Facilities Planning and Construction;
 - Jenny Chau, Facilities Project Accountant; and
 - Nicole Reynolds, Administrative Assistant II.

6.0 Meeting Dates

During the 2021-2022 school year, the Committee met four times. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the January 31, 2022 meeting was held via Zoom. The other meetings were held at Measure E sites. In addition to conducting the meetings at sites, District staff conducted tours as part of the meetings.

July 2021 through June 2022 Meetings

- July 26, 2021 (Location: Woodbridge High School);
- October, 25, 2021 (Location: Bonita Canyon Elementary School);
- January 31, 2022 (Location: Video Conference – Zoom); and
- April 25, 2022 (Location: University Park Elementary School).

7.0 Project Updates

The following projects were completed prior to the start of school in August 2021:

- Turtle Rock Elementary School: New Music Classroom Building; and
- Bonita Canyon Elementary School: New Multipurpose Building and Design Lab Renovation.

The following projects were completed by the spring of 2022:

- University Park Elementary School: New Classroom Building and Renovations;
- Oak Creek Elementary School (partial): Music Classroom Expansion;
- Canyon View Elementary School (partial): Music Classroom Expansion;
- Deerfield Elementary School (partial): New Music Building;
- Northwood Elementary School (partial): New Music Building and Kitchen Renovation; and
- Plaza Vista School (partial): New Music Building.

Construction started or continued on the following projects:

- Canyon View Elementary School (partial): Renovations;
- Deerfield Elementary School (partial): Kitchen Expansion;
- Irvine High School: Performing Arts Center;
- Oak Creek Elementary School (partial): Lunch Shelter;
- Northwood Elementary School (partial): Site Improvements;
- Plaza Vista School (partial): Renovations; and
- South Lake Middle School: Modernization and Music Classroom Expansion.

The following photos are for school sites either completed or under construction during the period.

Projects Completed Between 7/1/2021-6/30/2022

Canyon View ES: New Music Classrooms



Deerfield ES: New Music Building



Northwood ES: New Music Building



Oak Creek ES: New Music Classroom



Plaza Vista School: New Music Building



University Park ES: Renovations



Projects under Construction Between 7/1/2021-6/30/2022

Canyon View ES: Renovations



Deerfield ES: Kitchen Expansion



Northwood ES: Site Improvements



Oak Creek ES: New Lunch Shelter



Plaza Vista School: Renovations



Irvine HS: New Performing Arts Center



Projects under Construction Between 7/1/2021-6/30/2022 (continued)

South Lake MS: Modernization



South Lake MS: Music Classroom Expansion



8.0 Audit Findings

The auditors reported there were no findings in the 2021-2022 annual audits. The Committee received and reviewed the 2021-2022 annual Irvine Unified School District Building Fund (Measure E) Financial and Performance Audits.

9.0 Conclusion

Based upon the listed activities, the Committee advises the public that the District is in compliance with Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution: Bond proceeds have been expended on projects set forth in the ballot measure; no bond proceeds have been used for teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenditures; and audits have been performed as prescribed by law.

10.0 Additional Information

Meeting minutes, audits, and various other documents are available on the District website: <https://iusd.org/departments/measure-e>.