

PIEDMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
District Office – Board Room
760 Magnolia Avenue
Piedmont, CA 94611

MINUTES OF

Citizens' Advisory Committee to Parcel Tax Program (Measures B & E)

January 13, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Jon Elliott called the regular meeting of the Citizens' Advisory Committee to the Parcel Tax Program to order at 3:30 pm.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

In Attendance:

Committee Members Catherine Ogle, Jon Elliott, Ken Jensen, Matthew Lifschiz, George Childs, Peter Freeman; Superintendent Constance Hubbard. Also present: Roy Tolles (Board Member).

ABSENT FROM MEETING

Board Member Liaison Martha Jones

INTRODUCTION/WELCOME

REVIEW & ACTION ITEMS

1. Approve minutes of CAC meeting of 12/10/10

Ken Jensen moved and Matthew Lifschiz seconded approval of the minutes from the meeting of December 10, 2010, which then were adopted unanimously.

2. CAC Annual Report for 2011-2012:

- a. Review "Straw Man" draft of 2011-12 report, and consider appropriate attachment(s). Specific text may be approved, or process and workplan (including subcommittee(s) as appropriate) may be approved.

Committee members contributed their comments to the draft report. Discussion ensued around the idea of assigning some of the revenue from the parcel tax increase to a reserve for future year(s), including the possibility of increasing the parcel tax 5% with 3% of that increase earmarked for the reserve. The Committee discussed the fact that increasing the parcel tax in this economy represents a high sacrifice for taxpayers.

REVIEW & DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Board of Education plans to solicit additional members for CAC
2. Status of District labor negotiations

Superintendent Hubbard reported that the Board would like this Committee's input on the parcel taxes at their 2/9/11 meeting and that they would discuss and vote on the parcel tax levy in their

March meeting. She reviewed that 5 furlough days saves the District \$450,000 per year, that healthcare costs increase about \$400,000 per year and employee salary increases from step and column cost the District an additional \$300,000 per year. She also reported that annual fund donations from the community so far this year are up significantly from last year (\$1.2 million last year vs. \$1.5 million so far this year).

SCHEDULE FUTURE MEETINGS

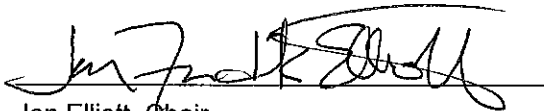
The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, January 20, 2011 @ 2:00 PM in the District Office.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:03 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for 1/13/11 @ 3:30 PM in the District Board Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 PM.



Jon Elliott, Chair
Citizens' Advisory Committee to the
Parcel Tax Program, Measures B & E



Catherine Ogle, Secretary
Citizens' Advisory Committee to the
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