

SANTA BARBARA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

APPLICATION FOR INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

The Board of Education of the Santa Barbara Unified School District is seeking qualified, interested individuals to serve on a committee of community leaders which will serve as the Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee ("COC") for the ongoing expenditure of funds of Measure Q and Measure R, as well as the implementation of the District's Measure J and Measure I school facilities bond programs.

Proposition 39 Bond Election

On November 8, 2016, voters residing within the Santa Barbara Unified School District passed Measure J and Measure I. Measure J is a \$58,000,000 bond measure and Measure I is a \$135,000,000 bond measure which authorize funding for needed repairs, upgrades, and new construction projects to the District's schools. Proposition 39 required a 55% supermajority for approval; Measure J was passed by 71.34% and Measure I was passed by 69.16%.

Establishment of a Citizens' Oversight Committee

After a bond authorized under Proposition 39 is passed, State law requires that the Santa Barbara Unified School District Board of Education appoint an Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee to work with the District.

Committee Responsibilities

In accordance with Education Code Section 15278(b), the Citizens' Oversight Committee shall:

- Inform the public concerning the District's expenditure of bond proceeds of Measures Q, R J and I.
- Review expenditure reports produced by the District to ensure that Measures Q, R J and I bond proceeds were expended only for the purposes set forth in Measures Q, R J and I; and
- Present to the Board in public session, an annual written report outlining their activities and conclusions regarding the expenditure of bond proceeds of Measures Q, R J and I.

The Bylaws which govern the Citizens' Oversight Committee are attached to this Application.

Appointment of Committee Members

All appointments will be made by the Board from applications submitted to the District. The Committee shall consist of at least seven (7) members appointed by the Board from a list of candidates submitting written applications, and based on criteria established by Prop 39, to wit:

- One (1) member shall be the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District.
- One (1) member shall be both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District and active in a parent-teacher organization, such as the P.T.A. or a school site council.
- One (1) member active in a business organization representing the business community located in the District.
- One (1) member active in a senior citizens' organization.
- One (1) member active in a bona-fide taxpayers association.
- Two (2) members of the community at-large.

Time Commitment and Term

Initial appointments will be staggered, such that some of the initial appointees will be appointed to serve one full two-year term. The other initial appointments will serve a one-year term, but will be eligible for reappointment by the Board for a second and third two-year term.

Would You be Interested in Serving?

If you wish to serve on this important committee, please review the committee Bylaws for more information about the committee's role and responsibilities and complete the attached application. Completed applications should be sent to:

Santa Barbara Unified School District
720 Santa Barbara Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101
Tel: 805.963.4338 ext. 6222

I would be able to represent the following constituencies in the District: (check all that apply)

Business Representative - Active in a business organization representing local business

Organization: _____

Senior Citizen Group Representative - Active member in a senior citizens' organization.

Organization: _____

Taxpayer Organization Member - Active in a bona fide taxpayers' association.

Organization: _____

Parent or Guardian of Child Enrolled in District.

Child's Name and School: _____

Child's Name and School: _____

Parent /Guardian of Child Enrolled in District & Active in a Parent-Teacher Organization

Child's Name and School: _____

Child's Name and School: _____

Organization: _____

At-Large Community Member – Resident of the Santa Barbara Unified School District.

Please note any additional information you feel should be considered as part of your application:

1. Are you an employee of the District?*
2. Are you a vendor, contractor, or consultant to the school district?*
3. Do you have conflicts that would preclude your attending quarterly meetings?
4. Do you know of any reason, such as a potential conflict of interest, which would adversely affect your ability to serve on the Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee?*
5. Are you willing to comply with the ethics code included in the bylaws?

YES	NO

(*Employees, vendors, contractors, and consultants of the Santa Barbara Unified School District are prohibited by law from being members of the Citizens' Oversight Committee. Employment which could result in becoming a contractor or subcontractor to the district would also be a potential conflict.)

Signature of Applicant

All answers and statements in this document are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature _____ Date _____.

It is the policy of the Santa Barbara Unified School District not to unlawfully discriminate on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, gender, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, color, religion, marital status, age or mental or physical disability in the educational programs or activities which it operates.

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