

CHAPTER XVII

MANAGEMENT OF PROPOSITION A, PROPOSITION AA  
AND MEASURE J FUNDS

17000. ESTABLISHMENT OF OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. As provided in Education Code section 15278, the District's Citizens' Oversight Committee was established by the Board of Trustees to inform the public concerning the District's expenditure of revenues received from the sale of bonds authorized by the voters on April 10, 2001, May 20, 2003 and November 4, 2008. The College Citizens' Committees were established to be advisory to the District Citizens' Oversight Committee. These committees will serve in their respective roles for Proposition A, Proposition AA, and Measure J concurrently.

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17001. ROLE OF THE DISTRICT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

A. The District Citizens' Oversight Committee will provide oversight ensuring that:

1. bond revenues are expended only for the construction, rehabilitation, or replacement of college facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of college facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for college facilities; and

2. no bond revenues are expended for any teacher or administrative salaries or other college operating expenses.

B. To carry out its role, the District Citizens' Oversight Committee may:

1. receive and review copies of the annual independent performance audit,

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2. receive and review copies of the annual independent financial audit of the bond revenue,
3. inspect college facilities and grounds to ensure that the bond revenue is expended in compliance with the requirements of paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIIIIA of the California Constitution,
4. receive and review copies of deferred maintenance proposals or plans developed by the District; and
5. review efforts by the District to maximize bond revenues by implementing various cost saving measures.

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17002. COMPOSITION OF THE DISTRICT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

A. The District Citizens' Oversight Committee will consist of seventeen regular members, none of whom are employees of the District, appointed as follows:

1. One member from each of the nine College Citizens' Committees, selected by the respective College President; and
2. Eight appointees of the Board of Trustees -
  - one of whom is active in a business organization representing the business community in Los Angeles;
  - one of whom is active in an organization representing the labor community in Los Angeles;
  - one of whom is active in a senior citizens' organization;

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one of whom is active in a bona fide taxpayers' organization;

one of whom is a student who is enrolled in one of the District's colleges and active in a college group, such as the college associated students' organization;

one of whom is an active member of a college advisory committee or foundation; and,

two members at large.

- B. For each regular member listed in Section A.2, the Board may appoint an alternate member who shall only exercise the rights and privileges of the regular member during the regular member's absence. To be eligible to serve as an alternate member, an individual must meet the eligibility criteria applicable to the regular member's position on the committee.
  
- C. Each College Citizens' Committee will consist of at least seven but no more than fifteen members who are from constituent organization(s), and appointed by the College President. Each president will determine the appropriate make-up of his or her College Citizens' Committee, but it is recommended that the composition of the committee include the categories of membership required for the District Citizens' Oversight Committee.

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17003. MEETINGS OF THE DISTRICT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.  
To the extent required by law, all meetings of the District Citizens' Oversight Committee will be conducted in conformance with the Ralph M. Brown Act or other applicable open meeting law.

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17004. COLLEGE CITIZENS' COMMITTEE.

- A. There will be a College Citizens' Committee at each college. The role of the College Citizens' Committee is to advise the District Citizens' Oversight Committee regarding the District's expenditure of bond revenues on the specific projects listed in the bond proposition that are planned for the college at which the committee is organized.
- B. The College President may appoint non-voting employee representatives to the College Citizens' Committee. Any employee representative to the committee may participate in the committee's deliberations but may not cast a vote as a committee member or otherwise participate in any similar form of formal decision-making.

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17005. OPERATIONAL RULES. The District Citizens' Oversight Committee and College Citizens' Committees shall be conducted in accordance with bylaws and/or other regulations as directed by the Chancellor.

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17006. SPECIAL AUDITS AND INVESTIGATIONS.

A. District Citizens' Oversight Committee Request

In addition to the annual audits required by law, any member of the District Citizens' Oversight Committee may propose a motion, in keeping with the requirements of the Brown Act, to propose a special investigation or audit of any particular contract, component or activity involving the use of Proposition A, Proposition AA or Measure J funds. If the proposed motion is adopted by a majority of the District Citizens' Oversight Committee, the Chancellor or his or her designee shall promptly convey that direction to the designated performance auditor or financial auditor, as may be appropriate.

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The auditor shall conduct an appropriate and timely review and present the findings directly to the District Citizens' Oversight Committee.

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B. Board of Trustees

In addition to the annual audits required by law, any member of the Board of Trustees may propose a motion, in keeping with the requirements of the Brown Act, to propose a special investigation or audit of any particular contract, component or activity involving the use of Proposition A, Proposition AA or Measure J funds. If the proposed motion is adopted by a majority of the Board of Trustees, the Chancellor or his or her designee shall promptly convey that direction to the designated performance auditor or financial auditor, as may be appropriate. The auditor shall conduct an appropriate and timely review and present the findings directly to the Board of Trustees.

C. Notice

The Chancellor or his or her designee shall be responsible for providing notice of this Board Rule at least biannually to the members of the Board of Trustees and the District Citizens' Oversight Committee.

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