

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Board of Supervisors

BOARD AGENDA # *A-4b

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE August 19, 2008

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Approval to Consolidate with the Presidential General Election to be Held on November 4, 2008 the Stanislaus Union Elementary School District Bond Measure Election

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approve the Stanislaus Union Elementary District's request to consolidate their Election for the Issuance of School Bonds with the Presidential General Election to be held on November 4, 2008.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2008-583

On motion of Supervisor DeMartini, Seconded by Supervisor Grover

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Grover, Monteith, DeMartini and Chairman Mayfield

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) _____ Approved as amended

4) _____ Other:

MOTION:



ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

July 28, 2008

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Lee Lundrigan, County Clerk-
Recorder/Registrar of Voters
Stanislaus County
1021 "I" Street, Suite 101
Modesto, CA 95354

Christine Ferraro Tallman, Clerk of the Board of
Supervisors
Stanislaus County
1010 10th Street
Suite 6700
Modesto, CA 95354

Re: Stanislaus Union Elementary School District November 4, 2008 Bond Measure Election

Enclosed please find the Stanislaus Union Elementary School District Governing Board RESOLUTION NO.#07/08-16 "RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE STANISLAUS UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT ORDERING AN ELECTION, AND ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER" adopted on July 17, 2008 calling for a November 4, 2008 local bond election.

Also enclosed is our Tax Rate Statement.

We expect Exhibit B to be printed in its entirety in each sample ballot/voter pamphlet.

By this letter we are formally requesting to review a proof of the ballot statement language, the full text of the ballot proposition, impartial analysis and ballot arguments that would appear in the voter pamphlet prior to publishing. Please direct this proof to the undersigned as soon as it is available.

We believe that Education Code Section 15122.5 is applicable and we request that the County include the following "State Matching Funds" language in the ballot or voter pamphlet:

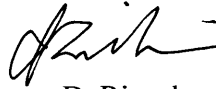
"Approval of Measure T does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Stanislaus Union Elementary School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure T will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure T. The district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

If possible, the District would like to request the measure letter designation of " X ". If not possible, the District requests that we not be assigned the letter " F ".

We would be more than happy to provide you with the resolution electronically in order to facilitate your work, or to assist with this process in any other manner.

This letter also authorizes you to contact David Casnocha of Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, our bond counsel, at (415) 283-2241 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Dawn D. Riccoboni,
Chief Business Official
Stanislaus Union School District

Enclosure
cc: David G. Casnocha

_____, 2008

Acknowledgement:

I, _____, of the Elections Office of the Stanislaus County Registrar of Voters acknowledge receipt of STANISLAUS UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION NO. #07/08-16 "RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE STANISLAUS UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ORDERING AN ELECTION, AND ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER" adopted on July 17, 2008 calling for a November 4, 2008 election.

Signature

Date

Time


Stanislaus Union Elementary School District
Tax Rate Statement for
Bond Measure __ Election to be held November 4, 2008

An election will be held in Stanislaus Union Elementary School District (the "District") on November 4, 2008 to authorize the sale of \$39,800,000 in general obligation bonds. The following information is submitted in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the California Elections Code.

1. The best estimate of the tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$.03000 per \$100 (\$30.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2009-10.
2. The best estimate of the tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$.03000 per \$100 (\$30.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2016-17.
3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is \$.03000 per \$100 (\$30.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.
4. The best estimate of the average tax rate required to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$.02699 per \$100 (\$26.99 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.

These estimates are based on projections derived from information obtained from official sources. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold at each sale and actual increases in assessed valuations. The timing of the bond sales and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the needs of the District. Actual assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined in the assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: July 30, 2008



Dawn Riccoboni
Chief Business Official
Stanislaus Union Elementary School District

RESOLUTION NO. #07/08-16

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
STANISLAUS UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
ORDERING AN ELECTION, AND ESTABLISHING
SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") has determined that each public school within the Stanislaus Union Elementary School District (the "District"), needs to be upgraded, repaired, improved, and better equipped, to reduce overcrowding and enable the District to enhance the educational opportunities of all the students in the District; and

WHEREAS, the District has undertaken significant community outreach efforts to gather opinions of parents and community members as to their assessment of the District's facility needs; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding concerted and ongoing efforts by the District to obtain sufficient facility money from the State of California (the "State"), the State has been unable to provide the District with enough money for the District to adequately maintain, construct, repair, and equip our schools to provide an optimal learning environment for all students; and

WHEREAS, the District will become eligible for State matching facility improvement money if it were able to contribute to the cost of upgrading its schools and constructing new classrooms; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board, it is advisable to provide additional facility funding to both repair and upgrade District schools and qualify for additional State money by means of a general obligation bond; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 46, approved by the voters of the State on June 3, 1986 ("Proposition 46"), amended Section 1(b) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution by adding a provision which exempts from the 1% of full cash value limitation, those ad valorem taxes used to pay for debt service of any bonded indebtedness for the acquisition or improvement of real property approved on or after July 1, 1978, by two-thirds of the votes cast by voters voting on the proposition; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2000 the voters of California approved the Smaller Classes, Safer Schools and Financial Accountability Act ("Proposition 39") which, as of its effective date, reduced the voter threshold for ad valorem tax levies used to pay for debt service or bonded indebtedness to 55% of the votes cast on a school district general obligation bond; and

WHEREAS, concurrent with the passage of Proposition 39, Chapter 1.5, Part 10, Division 1, Title 1 (commencing with Section 15264) of the Education Code (the "Act") became operative and established requirements associated with the implementation of Proposition 39; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to make certain findings herein to be applicable to this election order and to establish certain performance audits, standards of financial accountability and citizen oversight which are contained in Proposition 39 and the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby determines, in accordance with the opinion of the Attorney General of the State of California, that the restrictions in Proposition 39 which prohibit any bond

money from being wasted or used for administrative salaries or other operating expenses of the District be strictly enforced by the Citizens' Oversight Committee; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code Section 15270, based upon a projection of assessed property valuation, the Board has determined that, if approved by voters, the tax rate levied to meet the debt service requirements of the bonds proposed to be issued will not exceed the Proposition 39 limits per year per \$100,000 of assessed valuation of taxable property; and

WHEREAS, Section 9400 *et seq.* of the Elections Code of the State of California (the "Elections Code") requires that a tax rate statement be contained in all official materials, including any ballot pamphlet prepared, sponsored or distributed by the District, relating to the election; and

WHEREAS, the Board now desires to authorize the filing of a ballot argument in favor of the proposition to be submitted to the voters at the election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the California Elections Code, it is appropriate for the Board to request consolidation of the election with any and all other elections to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, and to request that the Stanislaus County Registrar of Voters perform certain election services for the District;

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE STANISLAUS UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Board, pursuant to Education Code Sections 15100 *et seq.*, 15264 *et seq.*, and Government Code Section 53506, hereby requests the Stanislaus County Registrar of Voters to conduct an election under the provisions of Proposition 39 and the Act and submit to the electors of the District the question of whether bonds of the District in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$39,800,000 (the "Bonds") shall be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money for the purposes described in Exhibits "A" and "B" hereto. Both exhibits are directed to be printed in the voter pamphlet.

Section 2. That the date of the election shall be November 4, 2008.

Section 3. That the purpose of the election shall be for the voters in the District to vote on a proposition, a copy of which is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference herein, containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds to pay for improvements to the extent permitted by such proposition. In compliance with Proposition 39 and the Act, the ballot proposition in Exhibit "A" is subject to the following requirements and determinations:

(a) the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds shall only be used for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other operating expenses;

(b) that the Board, in establishing the projects set forth in Exhibit "B," evaluated the safety, class size reduction and information technology needs of the District as well as the importance of the projects to student achievement and enhanced instruction;

(c) that the Board will cause to be conducted an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the Bond moneys get expended for the projects identified in Exhibit "B" hereto;

(d) that the Board will cause an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of Bonds to be conducted until all of the Bond proceeds have been expended;

(e) that the Board will cause the appointment of a Citizens' Oversight Committee in compliance with Education Code Section 15278 no later than 60 days after the Board enters the election results in its minutes pursuant to Elections Code Section 15274; and

(f) that the tax levy authorized to secure the Bonds of this election shall not exceed the Proposition 39 limit per \$100,000 of taxable property in the District when assessed valuation is projected by the District to increase in accordance with Article XIII A of the California Constitution.

Section 4. That the authority for ordering the election is contained in Education Code Sections 15100 *et seq.*, 15264 *et seq.*, and Government Code Section 53506.

Section 5. That the authority for the specifications of this election order is contained in Sections 5322 of the Education Code.

Section 6. That the Stanislaus County Registrar of Voters and the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors are hereby requested to consolidate the election ordered hereby with any and all other elections to be held on November 4, 2008 within the District.

Section 7. That the Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the Stanislaus County Registrar of Voters no later than August 8, 2008.

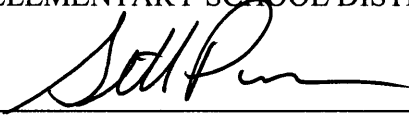
Section 8. That the maturity of any Bonds issued pursuant to Section 15264 *et seq.* of the Education Code hereto shall have a maturity not exceeding twenty-five (25) years, and Bonds issued pursuant to Section 53506 of the Government Code shall have a maturity of not exceeding forty (40) years. The maximum rate of interest on any Bond shall not exceed the maximum rate allowed by Education Code Sections 15140 to 15143, as modified by Government Code Section 53531.

Section 9. That the Board requests the governing body of any such other political subdivision, or any officer otherwise authorized by law, to partially or completely consolidate such election and to further provide that the canvass be made by any body or official authorized by law to canvass the returns of the election, and that the Board consents to such consolidation.

Section 10. Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of Stanislaus County is requested to permit the Registrar of Voters to render all services specified by Section 10418 of the Elections Code relating to the election, for which services the District agrees to reimburse Stanislaus County, such services to include the printing of the Full Text Ballot Proposition in the voter pamphlet, the publication of a Formal Notice of School Bond Election and the mailing of the sample ballot and tax rate statement (described in Section 9401 of the Elections Code) pursuant to the terms of Section 5363 of the Education Code and Section 12112 of the Elections Code.

ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED this 17th day of July 2008.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE STANISLAUS
UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

By  _____
President

Attest:



Secretary

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
)
STANISLAUS COUNTY)

I, Wayne Brown, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. #07/08-16, which was duly adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Stanislaus Union Elementary School District at meeting thereof held on the 17th day of July, 2008, and that it was so adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Seth Parker, Nate Howard, Charlene Bland, Karin Reenstierna, Norm Lee

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

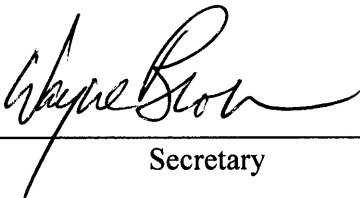
By 
Secretary

EXHIBIT A

“To replace deteriorating bathrooms/leaky roofs, upgrade heating, ventilation, cooling and electrical systems, remove asbestos, improve drinking water, relieve overcrowding, upgrade technology, fire alarms, communications and safety systems, shall Stanislaus Union Elementary School District issue \$39,800,000 of bonds at legal interest rates, to acquire, construct, repair and equip classrooms, sites, buildings, centralized kitchen and joint-use facilities, qualify for State matching funds, with no money for administrators’ salaries, independent oversight committee with all funds staying locally to improve schools?”

Bonds - Yes

Bonds – No

EXHIBIT B

FULL TEXT BALLOT PROPOSITION OF THE STANISLAUS UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND MEASURE ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 2008

Stanislaus Union Schools Improvement Measure. “To replace deteriorating bathrooms/leaky roofs, upgrade heating, ventilation, cooling and electrical systems, remove asbestos, improve drinking water, relieve overcrowding, upgrade technology, fire alarms, communications and safety systems, shall Stanislaus Union Elementary School District issue \$39,800,000 of bonds at legal interest rates, to acquire, construct, repair and equip classrooms, sites, buildings, centralized kitchen and joint-use facilities, qualify for State matching funds, with no money for administrators’ salaries, independent oversight committee with all funds staying locally to improve schools?”

PRIORITY SCHOOL PROJECTS LIST

The Board of Trustees of the Stanislaus Union Elementary School District evaluated the District’s urgent and critical facility needs, including safety issues, enrollment trends, class size and computer technology, in developing the scope of projects to be funded. In developing the scope of projects, teachers, staff and community members have prioritized the key health and safety needs so that the most critical facility needs are addressed. The Board conducted a facilities evaluation and received public input and review in developing the scope of facility projects to be funded. As reflected in the District’s Bond Plan, approved by the Board on June 19, 2008, incorporated herein, and as shall be amended. The Bond Plan is on file at the Superintendent’s Office and on the District’s website, www.stanunion.k12.ca.us. This input concluded that if these needs were not addressed now, the problems would only get worse. **In approving this Priority School Projects List, the Board of Trustees determines that the District must:**

- (i) **Make basic repairs to its aging schools, such as upgrading old and deteriorating bathrooms, leaky roofs and heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems; and**
- (ii) **Reduce overcrowding at Prescott School, the District’s only Middle school; and**
- (iii) **Insure that all schools are safe from asbestos or other hazardous materials; and**
- (iv) **Apply for State matching funds to help defray the cost of local school facilities, and**
- (v) **Provide fresher, healthier, more diverse meals for our children at all school sites by expanding the centralized kitchen; and**
- (vi) **Guarantee that all money received by the measure will be subject to local oversight and used here in our local community and not taken by the State.**

The Bond Project List is on file at the District Office of the Superintendent and includes the following projects:

PRIORITY SCHOOL PROJECTS

Project costs for repair and renovation of all existing school facilities include, but are not limited to, some or all of the following: renovate student bathrooms; repair and/or replace leaky roofs, heating and ventilation systems; improve drainage and irrigation systems; repair and replace worn-out windows, walls and doors and hardware; install electrical system wiring to safely accommodate computers, technology and other electrical devices; upgrade water meters; repair and replace fire alarms, and security systems (including security cameras and outdoor lighting); install drinking fountains; interior and exterior painting; upgrade or replace white boards; improve wall and ceiling finishes; repair, improve or remove old portable classrooms; install tables and benches; demolition; upgrade sites and fields; install or replace signage; inspect for and abate any hazardous materials, including asbestos and mold; improve access for people with disabilities; and, construct classrooms and various forms of storage and support space.

Agnes M. Baptist Elementary School

- Replace or repair old and leaky roofs to prevent further damage to classrooms, carpeting, floors and walls.
- Upgrade aging and/or deteriorating restrooms.
- Upgrade classroom technology and electrical systems to allow internet connection in each classroom to permit students to keep up with modern technology.
- Install new or improve existing student fire safety alarm systems.
- Upgrade classrooms to enhance student achievement.
- Enhance student safety with improved security systems and new or improved student fire safety alarm systems.

Arleta Muncy Elementary School

- Replace or repair old and leaky roofs to prevent further damage to classrooms, carpets, floors and walls.
- Upgrade classroom technology and electrical systems to improve classroom lighting and to allow internet connections in each classroom to permit students to keep up with modern technology.
- Enhance student safety with improved security systems, outdoor lighting and fire alarm systems.
- Upgrade aging and/or deteriorating bathrooms.
- Remove hazardous materials, including asbestos, if any, improve drainage and repair dry rot.
- Improve failing and cracked asphalt surfaces for safety.

- Install modern water meters to improve efficiency and conservation.

George Eisenhut Elementary School

- Upgrade aging and/or deteriorating bathrooms.
- Replace or repair old and leaky roofs to prevent further damage to classrooms, carpets, floors and walls.
- Upgrade classroom technology and electrical systems to provide internet connection in each classroom and allow students to keep up with modern technology.
- Enhance student safety with improved security systems, fencing, improved outdoor lighting and new fire alarm systems.
- Upgrade water meters to improve efficiency and conservation.
- Remove hazardous materials, if any.
- Improve failing and cracked asphalt surfaces for safety.

Josephine Chrysler Elementary School

- Replace or repair old and leaky roofs to prevent further damage to classrooms, carpeting, floors and walls.
- Upgrade classroom technology and electrical systems to provide internet connections in all classrooms to allow students to keep up with modern technology.
- Enhance student safety with improved security systems, fencing, outdoor lighting, upgraded playground and playfield surfaces and equipment.
- Upgrade aging and/or deteriorating bathrooms.
- Remove hazardous materials, including asbestos, if any.
- Improve failing and cracked asphalt surfaces for safety.
- Renovate and upgrade classrooms, buildings, including support areas, facilities to improve access for students and teachers with disabilities.

Mary Lou Dieterich Elementary School

- Upgrade electrical systems to provide internet connections in all classrooms to allow students to keep up with modern technology.
- Upgrade portable classrooms.
- Install covered lunch/shade shelters.

- Enhance student safety and various site improvements.

Prescott Senior Elementary School

- To reduce overcrowding, construct a multi-purpose building, new classrooms, expand library, expand centralized kitchen to provide fresher, healthier, more diverse meals for our children at all school sites.
- Upgrade heating, ventilation and air-conditioning system for energy efficiency and to reduce energy costs.
- Upgrade classroom technology and electrical systems to improve access to modern technology.
- Upgrade water meters to improve efficiency and conservation.
- Upgrade or relocate portable classrooms to improve student learning environments.
- Renovate, upgrade classrooms, buildings, including support areas, expand or improve locker rooms, upgrade facilities to improve access for students and teachers with disabilities.
- Remove hazardous materials, including asbestos, if any.
- Enhance student safety with improved security systems, fencing, outdoor lighting, parking area, upgrade playground and playfield surfaces and improve student pick-up and drop-off areas.

Stanislaus Elementary School

- Upgrade old and inadequate bathrooms.
- Upgrade heating, ventilation and air-conditioning system for the multi-purpose room for energy efficiency and to reduce energy costs.
- Replace or repair leaky roofs to prevent further damage to classrooms, carpeting, floors and walls.
- Upgrade electrical systems to improve safety, classroom internet capacity and access to modern technology.
- Improve classroom lighting.
- Improve water and sewer systems.
- Remove hazardous materials, including asbestos, if any.
- Enhance student safety with improved security systems, outside lighting and fire alarm systems.

- Upgrade facilities and site to improve access for students and teachers with disabilities.
- Improve failing and cracked asphalt surfaces for safety.

District Education Center

Construct a new building to include:

- Parent Education Areas.
- Staff Development Areas.
- Community Development Areas.
- Restrooms.
- Board Room.
- Curriculum & Instruction Department.
- Business Services Departments.
- Administration Offices.

Listed building, repair and rehabilitation projects and upgrades will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed repair and construction projects stated above, the Priority School Projects List also includes the payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility assessment reviews, environmental studies and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by bond projects. The upgrading of technology includes, but is not limited to, computers, LCD projectors, portable interface devices, servers, sound projection systems, laser printers, document projectors and other miscellaneous equipment and software. The Priority School Projects List also includes the construction of a new District education center, which has administrative offices, to consolidate various facilities and reduce District operating costs. The allocation of bond proceeds will be affected by the District's receipt of State matching funds and the final costs of each project. In the absence of State matching funds, which the District will aggressively pursue to reduce the District's share of the costs of the projects, the District may not be able to complete some of the projects listed above. Certain projects may be undertaken as joint use projects in cooperation with other local public agencies. The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and

operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, redirecting fire access, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the specific purposes identified herein. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to the bond projects. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY. IN ACCORDANCE WITH EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15272, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL APPOINT A CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND CONDUCT ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDITS TO ASSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT ONLY ON DISTRICT PROJECTS AND FOR NO OTHER PURPOSE. THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE PROJECTS IS SUBJECT TO STRINGENT FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS. BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE PERFORMED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, REPRESENTATION OF A BONA FIDE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION, A BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND A SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION. NO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR VENDORS ARE ALLOWED TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

NO ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES. PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THE BONDS AUTHORIZED BY THIS PROPOSITION SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION, OR REPLACEMENT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, INCLUDING THE FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, AND NOT FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE, INCLUDING TEACHER AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES.

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNTABILITY AND SAFEGUARDS. AS DETERMINED APPROPRIATE BY DISTRICT STAFF, CERTAIN PROJECTS PAID FOR WITH BOND MONEY MAY BE SUBJECT TO OVERSIGHT OF A PROFESSIONAL CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT FIRM WITH A PROVEN TRACK RECORD OF DELIVERING SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ON-TIME AND ON-BUDGET TO SAVE TAXPAYER DOLLARS.