

# **COLLEGE OF THE SEQUOIAS**

## **MEASURE I**

### **CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**



## **2014-2015 ACTIVITY REPORT**

**FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (SFID) NO. 2  
BOND MEASURE I**

**Purpose of the Activity Report**

In accordance with Education Code Section 15280, the following report is the fulfillment of the committee's annual requirement.

Measure I was approved by the voters on November 4, 2008. A Bond Resolution was adopted and signed by the Governing Board on June 9, 2008, and is available on the COS website at: <http://www.cos.edu/About/Governance/Board/Pages/Measure-I-Bond.aspx>.

Measure I required the creation of a Citizens' Oversight Committee. The purpose of the Citizens' Oversight Committee is to inform the public concerning the expenditure of bond revenues. The Committee is charged with actively reviewing appropriate reporting on the proper expenditure of taxpayers' money for school construction. The Citizens' Oversight Committee shall advise the public whether the community college district is in compliance with the requirements of paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California constitution.

**2014-2015 Membership**

The Citizen's Oversight Committee consisted of the following members and terms of office:

**College Support Organization**

Josh McDonnell, chair (10/13/14 – 6/30/16)

**Taxpayers**

Betty Anthony (12/10/13 – 11/19/15)

**At-Large/Business**

Tom Giampietro (10/15/13-10/15/15)

Juan Lopez (10/15/13-10/15/15)

**Business**

Matt Seals (10/15/13-10/15/15)

**Senior Citizen's Group**

Myron Sheklian, co-chair (10/15/13-10/15/15)

**COS Student Organization**

Christian Rodriguez (2014-2015)

## **Summary of Activity**

The Measure I Citizens Oversight Committee met on the following dates and conducted business generally as follows:

### September 16, 2014

- Review and Approve Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2014
- Financial Report/Progress Report on Measure I Projects
- Committee Members Reports and Feedback
- Projected Completion of Measure I
- Measure I Summary Publication

### March 17, 2015

- Review and Approve Meeting Notes of September 16, 2014
- Financial Report/Progress Report on Measure I Projects
- Proposition 39 General Obligation Bonds Audit Report – June 30, 2014
- Community Members Reports and Feedback
- Projected Completion of Measure I
- Measure I Summary Publication

An annual audit for the year ending June 30, 2015, is being conducted at this time by Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP, Certified Public Accountants and will be completed by December 2015.

The meeting agendas, minutes, and materials distributed to the Committee are posted on the District's web site and available in hard copy from the President's Office. A notice was sent out to the local media prior to each meeting. The meeting materials are sent to the committee members, the members of the Governing board and to those members of the public who have requested to be on the mailing list.

The Committee met on March 29, 2016 to review and approve this report and instructed the Committee Chairman or his designee to submit this Activity Report to the Governing Board of the College of the Sequoias Community College District at its regularly scheduled April 11, 2016 meeting. Committee members whose terms have expired will be reinstated retroactively at the April 11, 2016 Board of Trustees meeting.

## **Findings**

Based on this information, as of June 30, 2015, the Citizens' Oversight Committee finds that the bond revenues were expended on the specific projects approved by the voters and that no funds were used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

This year-end activity report will be posted on the Internet at: [www.cos.edu](http://www.cos.edu). Copies are available to the public, either electronically or hard copy, by contacting any of the following:

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Approved by the Citizens' Oversight Committee  
for Bond Measure I for College of the Sequoias  
Community College District on March 29, 2016

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Submitted  
Josh McDonnell, Chairman  
Citizens' Oversight Committee for Bond Measure I  
College of the Sequoias Community College District