

**COLLEGE OF THE SEQUOIAS**  
**MEASURE J**  
**CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**



**2010-2011 SECOND ANNUAL REPORT**  
**FEBRUARY 16, 2010 – MAY 16, 2011**

**FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (SFID) NO. 3**

## **Purpose of the Annual Report**

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

Measure J 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: [www.cos.edu](http://www.cos.edu) (**Click on Measure J Tulare Bond**).

Measure J 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. 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.

## **Membership**

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

### **Business Organization**

\*\*\*Ken Nunes (*Chairman*)

March 2, 2009 – March 1, 2011

\*\*\**Resigned-Became a College of the Sequoias Governing Board Member on April 26, 2010*

Anthony DeRose

March 2, 2009 – March 1, 2011

Re-Elected (*Vice Chairman*)

March 1, 2011 – February 28, 2013

Mary Wadsworth

March 2, 2009 – March 1, 2011

### **Senior Citizens**

Jim Henderson (*Vice Chairman*)

March 2, 2009 – March 1, 2011

Re-Elected (*Chairman*)

March 2, 2011 – February 28, 2013

### **Taxpayers**

Charlie Pitigliano

March 2, 2009 – March 1, 2011

John Thomas

March 2, 2009 – March 1, 2011

Re-Elected

March 2, 2011 – February 28, 2013

### **Student Organization**

Cody DeSilva

November 8, 2010 – December 31, 2011

### **College Support Organization**

Craig Vejvoda

February 16, 2010 – February 15, 2012

### **At-Large**

John Beck

March 2, 2009 – March 1, 2011

Re-Elected

March 2, 2011 – February 28, 2013

Howard Berger

March 2, 2009 – March 1, 2011

Re-Elected

March 2, 2011 – February 28, 2013

Lynn Dredge	March 2, 2009 – March 1, 2011
Re-Elected	March 2, 2011 – February 28, 2013
Richard Ortega	March 2, 2009 – March 1, 2011
Re-Elected	March 2, 2011 – February 28, 2013
Bill Postlewaite	March 2, 2009 – March 1, 2011
Melody Tucker	March 2, 2009 – March 1, 2011
Re-Elected	March 2, 2011 – February 28, 2013

### **Summary of Meetings**

The Committee met on the dates and conducted business generally as follows:

#### February 16, 2010

- Meeting Notes of November 3, 2009
- Financial Report
- Timing of Annual Report
- Committee Membership Terms

#### May 17, 2010

- Meeting Notes of February 16, 2010
- Financial Report
- Draft Annual Report
- Education Plan

#### August 16, 2010

- Meeting Notes of May 17, 2010
- Financial Report
- Transportation Information to New Center

#### November 15, 2010

- Introduction of New Members
- Meeting Notes of August 16, 2010
- Financial Report
- Review of Membership Terms

#### May 16, 2011

- Introduction of New Member
- Meeting Notes of November 15, 2010
- Financial Report
- Timing of Second Annual Report

The Committee also met on November 4, 2011, to review and approve this report and instructed the Committee Chairman or his designee to submit this Annual Report to the Governing Board of the College of the Sequoias Community College District at its regularly scheduled November 14, 2011, meeting.

The audit for the year ended June 30, 2010, was conducted by Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP, Certified Public Accountants. The Committee members were given a copy of all pages of the 2010 Audit Report that refers to Measure J (General Obligation Bonds 2008). Under Findings and Recommendations, none were related to the bond (no exceptions were found).

An annual audit for the year ending June 30, 2011, is being conducted at this time by Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP, Certified Public Accountants, and will be completed by December 2011.

### **Project Status**

Plans were submitted to the Department of State Architecture on March 27, 2009 and received approval on November 5, 2009. The campus is scheduled to be open for classes in the beginning of the 2013 Spring semester.

### **Findings**

Based on this information, as of May 16, 2011, the Citizens' Oversight Committee finds that the bond revenues were expended only 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.

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.

This year-end 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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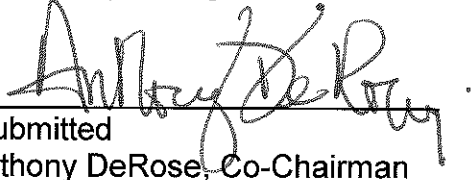
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Approved by the Citizens' Oversight Committee  
for Bond Measure J for College of the Sequoias  
Community College District on November 14, 2011

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Anthony DeRose", is written over a horizontal line.

Submitted  
Anthony DeRose, Co-Chairman

Citizens' Oversight Committee for Bond Measure J  
College of the Sequoias Community College District