

## **CCUSD Community Budget Advisory Committee:**

Minutes of the Jan. 2, 2013 Meeting

Place: District Office, 4034 Irving Place, Culver City CA 90232

Call to order. Alan Elmont, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

In attendance:

Alan Elmont, chair,  
Jessica Beagles Roos, vice chair  
James Harris  
David Mielke  
Debbie Hamme  
George Laase  
Scott Kecken  
Mike Reynolds, Asst. Superintendent, Business Services

Alan Elmont was re-elected chairman for the coming year. The vote was unanimous.

Mike Reynolds gave an update on the results of the November 2012 election and passage of Proposition 30. The state has not provided a lot of information about what funds would be restored or increased. It was not clear if the state will include a cost-of-living increase in any new funds. Looking ahead for 2013, CCUSD is projecting a declining ADA meaning a possible loss of funds.

Mike discussed the proposed "Golden Handshake" or employee early retirement program. Mike said it was too early to know how much savings would be involved. Jessica said such a program should benefit everyone involved: the employees taking the early retirement and the district in long-term savings.

Mike discussed Gov. Brown's proposal for new type of school district funding with poorer districts receiving extra funds. The governor has not issued specifics on the socio-economic parameters of the new school financing program, so it not clear whether CCUSD would be eligible to get some of the proposed additional funds.

Mike said it was important to align the CCUSD budget with the main mission of the district.

Dave said that a previous CBAC had worked hard on a CCUSD strategic plan that contained mission statements and objectives. The committee agreed that all members should be sent a copy of the strategic plan and review it.

Mike made a report on the Solar Initiative. The contractor has reported that So. Calif. Edison has made a new requirement, the main power line connection from the solar array must join the Edison line near the front of the school. This could result in an additional expense, however, the contractor is working with the district on a new design.

Mike said there were some concerns about the Phase 1 of the sports complex construction. A total cost of \$8.5 million is now projected for the full scope of the project. This exceeds the district's current total projected capital budget. District staff has met to focus on a Phase 1 of the athletic complex with a budget of \$4.5 - \$4.85 million.

The next CBAC meeting was scheduled for Jan. 30. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.