#### **BOARD MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**

# CULVER CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Special Meeting of the Board of Education to "Conduct the District's Business in Public" OPEN SESSION – 6:00 p.m.

District Office Board Meeting Room 4034 Irving Place, Culver City, CA 90232

## July 27, 2009

Persons in the audience during the meeting of the Board of Education are asked not to talk during presentations or the meeting. If conversation with another person needs to take place, please do so outside the Board Room so as not to disrupt others or the meeting. Please make sure your cell phone is turned off or silenced at this time.

1.	CALL TO ORDER			
	The meeting was called to order b	ру	, at	p.m.
	1.1 Roll Call – Board of Trustees Jessica Beagles-Roos, Ph.D., President Saundra Davis, M.A., Vice President Steven Gourley, Clerk Scott Zeidman, Esq. Member Dana Russell, D.D.S., Member			
	1.2 Flag Salute			
2.	ADOPTION OF AGENDA			
	Recommendation is made that the agenda be adopted as submitted.  Motion by Seconded by  Vote			
3.	BOARD WORKSHOP – 6:00 p.m.			
	3.1 Discussion on Continuing Parcel Tax Feasibility Study and the Potential for CCUSD School Parcel Tax Measure			
PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS				
Persons wishing to address the Board on any item on the agenda will be granted three (3) minutes. In the interest of time and order, presentations from the public are limited to three (3) minutes per person. Prior to addressing the Board, please complete a card (located on the table at the rear entrance) and give the card to the Superintendent. Persons addressing the Board are asked to do so from the podium. Please state your name, address, and organization before making your presentation.				
4.	<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>			
	Motion by	Seconded by		Vote

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY. Any individual with a disability who requires reasonable accommodation to participate in a board meeting, may request assistance by contacting the Superintendent's Office at 4034 Irving Place, Culver City, CA 90232. Phone Number: (310)842-4220 Fax Number: (310)842-4205

#### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

July 28 – 7:00 p.m. – Regular Public Meeting, (6:00 p.m. Closed Session), District Office, 4034 Irving Place August 5 – 5:00 p.m. – Special Public Meeting, District Office, 4034 Irving Place

NOTE: The CCUSD TIP Hotline is (310) 535-2590. Culver City Unified School District meetings are regularly scheduled for the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month. Public records related to the public session agenda, that are distributed to the Governing Board less than 72 hours before a regular meeting, may be inspected by the public at the District Office, 4034 Irving Place in Culver City during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) A complete agenda is available for review in each school office and also available for pickup at the District Office. Visit the Culver City Unified School District Website at www.ccusd.org. Each school office has a suggestion box. We look forward to receiving your comments and suggestions.

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# 3.1 <u>Discussion on Continuing the Parcel Tax Feasibility Study and the Potential</u> for a CCUSD School Parcel Tax Measure

The alarming and continuing reduction in State funding for schools is threatening the quality of education in Culver City Unified School District (CCUSD). To minimize further devastating cuts and reduce the District's reliance on unstable State funding for CCUSD educational programs, the Board has approved a study to determine the feasibility of passing a local school parcel tax.

On July 14th the Board received an interim update and preliminary poll results from consultants leading the study--Bonnie Moss, Executive Vice President of Sidewalk Strategies (a division of TRAMUTOLA LLC) and Dr. Timothy McLarney, President of True North Research. The District's consultants recommended as a next step meeting with the Board to provide specific scenarios and recommendations relative to a CCUSD parcel tax.

On Friday July 24, 2009 a community mailer from the Superintendent to CCUSD voters was sent asking for input, questions and comments regarding a potential parcel tax. Similar information has been posted on the District's website. (A summary of community feedback results from these efforts will be shared when they become available.)

### The goals of the July 27th Board Work Session are:

- To understand the key components of a parcel tax ballot measure.
- To consider and discuss specific consultant scenarios and recommendations--including educational priorities to be funded by a potential parcel tax, ballot language, tax rate, accountabilities and controls, and election timing.
- To discuss and understand the educational, financial, electoral and strategic implications placing a parcel tax measure on the ballot—either in November 2009 or on a future ballot in 2010.