

Long Beach Community College District

Citizens Oversight Committee Annual Report for Year Ending December 2011 to the Board of Trustees

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Background

On November 7, 2000, California voters approved Proposition 39, the Smaller Classes, Safer Schools and Financial Accountability Act. In conjunction with the passage of Proposition 39, the Legislature passed a series of bills both restricting and mandating actions of local governing boards under Proposition 39. Proposition 39 went into effect on November 8, 2000 and the statutory measures went into effect January 1, 2001.

The District has issued two bonds under Proposition 39: Measure E - 2002 and Measure E - 2008.

Measure E - 2002

On December 4, 2001, the Board of Trustees of the Long Beach Community College District (District) called for a general obligation bond election. The ballot language for the Measure E Bond funds reads, "In order to renovate, repair, and replace aging educational facilities, including replacement of electrical, plumbing and sewer systems, add classrooms, acquire equipment, construct job training facilities and high tech computer labs, upgrade restrooms, renovate heating and ventilation system, install fire safety equipment, replace outdated classrooms and libraries and establish a Citizens Oversight Committee, shall the Long Beach Community College District issue \$176 million in bonds, at interest rates within the legal limit?" On March 5, 2002, the District's resident voters passed the general obligation bond, Measure E.

The District has successfully spent all the Measure E-2002 proceeds; therefore, this report will conclude the updates and overview of the Measure E-2002.

Measure E - 2008

On February 5, 2008, voters residing in the District were asked: "to qualify for State matching funds that will better prepare Long Beach college students for high demand jobs, shall Long Beach Community College District renovate science, nursing, police, and firefighting classrooms, upgrade classroom technology and high-tech training labs; repair aging roofs, electrical, plumbing, heating, and ventilation; and upgrade/construct/equip/acquire classrooms, facilities, sites; by issuing \$440 million in bonds, at legal rates, with citizens oversight, mandatory audits, and all funds staying local to improve Long Beach City College facilities?"

The voters overwhelmingly approved the measure with a 73.22% pass rate.

Citizens Oversight Committee Charge

It is the charge of the Citizens Oversight Committee (COC) to monitor the expenditures of the Measure E 2002 and 2008 Bond funds and report to the public on the District's compliance with Proposition 39. It is the committee's role to: 1) review quarterly expenditure reports produced by the District to ensure that (a) bond proceeds are expended only for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure and no bond proceeds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other operating expenses; 2) present to the Board, in a public session, an annual written report; 3) receive and review copies of the District's annual independent performance audit and annual independent financial audit; 4) inspect school site facilities and grounds for which bond proceeds have been or will be expended; 5) review copies of capital outlay plans developed by the District; 6) review the Districts efforts to maximize use of Bond proceeds in ways designed to: a) reduce costs of professional fees or site acquisition; b) incorporate efficiencies in school site design; c) encourage joint use of core facilities; or d) involve cost-effective and efficient reusable facility plans.

Review Quarterly Expenditure Reports

The Citizens Oversight Committee met on the following dates:

January 31, 2011

April 18, 2011

August 8, 2011

At each meeting we reviewed the quarterly expenditure reports and noted that all expenditures were for projects that appeared on the ballots as approved by the voters.

In October 2011, the committee received by mail the quarterly expenditure report and noted that all expenditures were for projects that appeared on the ballots as approved by the voters.

Long Beach Community College District's Projects

Listed below are some of the completed, current and upcoming projects:

Completed Projects - Measure E 2002

Automotive and Aviation Complex (Tech 2) at PCC Boiler Replacements at LAC Building UU/VV Demolition at PCC Building Z Retrofit at LAC Central Plant at LAC Central Plant at PCC Child Development Center at PCC District Facilities and Warehouse Complex at LAC Industrial Technology Center at PCC Infrastructure Improvements at PCC Language Arts Building Renovation at LAC Large Gym Façade and Renovations at LAC Learning Resource Center at LAC Learning Resource Center at PCC Small Gym Renovations at LAC South Quad Complex at LAC



Automotive and Aviation Complex (Tech 2) at PCC



Central Plant at LAC

Completed Projects - Measure E 2002 (continued)



Central Plant at PCC



District Facilities & Warehouse at LAC



Language Arts Building Renovation at LAC



Learning Resources Center at LAC



Child Development Center at PCC



Industrial Technology Center at PCC



Large Gym Façade Renovations at LAC



Learning Resource Center at PCC

Completed Projects - Measure E 2002 (continued)



Small Gym Renovations at LAC



South Quad Complex at LAC

<u>Completed Projects – Measure E 2008</u>

Building II Sheet Metal Retrofit at PCC
Building O1 & O2 at LAC
Electronic Marquees at LAC and PCC
Energy Efficiency Project
HVAC Upgrades for Buildings B, C, D, E, G, H and S at LAC
Infrastructure Improvements at LAC
Parking Structure in Lot J at LAC



Building O1 at LAC



Building O2 at LAC



Electronic Marquee at LAC



Electronic Marquee at PCC



Parking Structure in Lot J at LAC

Current Projects - Measure E 2008

Building A Student Services Retrofit at LAC – Construction started Winter 2011
Building I Bookstore Retrofit at LAC – Construction started Fall 2010
Building CC Retrofit at PCC – Construction started Fall 2011
Exterior Lighting Improvements at LAC – Construction started Fall 2010
Landscape Implementation Improvements - Ongoing
Multi-Disciplinary Academic Building at PCC – Construction started Summer 2010



Building A Student Services Retrofit at LAC



Building I Bookstore Retrofit at LAC



Building CC Retrofit at PCC



Multi-Disciplinary Academic Building at PCC

<u> Upcoming Projects – Measure E 2008</u>

Building GG Retrofit at PCC – Estimated Start of Construction Fall 2012 Building C Modernization at LAC – Estimated Start of Construction Spring 2013 Math /Technology Building at LAC – Estimated Start of Construction Spring 2013

Receive and Review the Annual Independent Performance Audit

Moss Adams presented its performance audit findings for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010 to the COC at its meeting of January 31, 2011. The Performance Audit for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010 was received by the COC unanimously.

The performance audit firm of Moss Adams conducted the Performance Audit for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011. The performance audit team evaluated the Long Beach Community College District's (District) Measure E Bond Program expenditures against 2002 Measure E, 2008 Measure E and Proposition 39 requirements. The audit team tested expenditures during the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 for compliance with Bond Program objectives.

	Total Expenditures	Expenditures Tested	Percent Tested
2002 Measure E Bond			
7/1/10 – 6/30/11	<i>\$35,357</i>		
2008 Measure E Bond			
7/1/10 – 6/30/11	<i>\$56,796,506</i>		
	\$56,831,863	<i>\$25,226,530</i>	44.4%

The audit team conducted its audit in accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (GAGAS) issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and reported that **the audit found no discrepancies in the use of expenditures for approved Bond Fund purposes.** In addition there were no audit findings observed. The audit will be presented to the COC on January 23, 2012.

To view the complete audit reports, please visit the District's Measure E Bond Audit page at: http://www.lbcc.edu/BondProgram/COCPerAudits.cfm

Receive and Review the Annual Independent Financial Audit as it Relates to the Bond Funds

Vicenti, Lloyd, & Stutzman, LLP presented its financial audit findings for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010 to the COC at its January 31, 2011 meeting. The Financial Audit for Proposition 39, General Obligation Bonds and Measure E Bond for the Year Ended June 30, 2010 was received by the COC unanimously.

The financial audit firm of Vicenti, Lloyd, & Stutzman, LLP conducted the Financial Audits for Proposition 39, General Obligation Bonds for both the 2002 Measure E Bond and 2008 Measure E Bond for the Year Ended June 30, 2011. The financial audit team conducted its audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Governmental Auditing Standards.

In regard to the audits of both the 2002 Measure E Bond and the 2008 Measure E Bond for the Year Ended June 30, 2011, it is the opinion of the financial audit team that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations for the Bond Construction Fund of the Long Beach Community College District as of June 30, 2011 in conformity with generally accepted auditing standards. There were no findings or questioned costs related to Bond Construction Fund financial statements, and the District received an unqualified audit opinion. The audit will be presented to the COC on January 23, 2012.

To view the complete audit reports, please visit the District's Measure E Bond Audit page at: http://www.lbcc.edu/Fiscal/measure-e-bond-audit.cfm

Inspection of College Facilities and Grounds Where Bond Proceeds Are Being Spent

Construction, modernization, and renovation projects that the Long Beach Community College District residents voted for in both the 2002 and 2008 Measure E Bond funds ballots which came to life in 2011 included the following:

Parking Structure Dedication – Liberal Arts Campus March 29, 2011



Pictured above from left: Trustee Doug Otto, Trustee Mark Bowen, Trustee Jeff Kellogg, Trustee Roberto Uranga, Mayor Bob Foster, Ann-Marie Gabel, VP, Administrative Services, Gavin Centeno, Student Trustee, and Desiree Tessier, ASB President

COC Members in Attendance: Gary Westling and past members Lexi Donovan and Bill Marmion



Superintendent-President Eloy Oakley and Mayor Bob Foster driving the first vehicle into the parking structure.

2011 Citizens Oversight Committee Members

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Respectfully Submitted to the Board of Trustees on January 24, 2012 by J C Squires, Chairperson

