

SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS RELEASE

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SMMUSD Accepting Applications for Measure M Bond Oversight Committee for Malibu Schools

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District is seeking applicants for a citizen's Bond Oversight Committee for Measure M, which passed overwhelmingly in November.

Measure M raises \$195 million for use in School Facilities Improvement District No. 2, which covers SMMUSD schools in Malibu. It's the first time Malibu schools have had dedicated funding.

Applications are due Feb. 27 at 5 p.m. The oversight committee will be selected with the following process and criteria:

The Committee shall consist of at least seven (7) members appointed by the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent from a list of candidates that have submitted written applications, and based on the following criteria established by Proposition 39:

- One (1) member shall be the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the district.
- One (1) member shall be the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the district and active in a parent-teacher organization, such as the PTA or a school site council.
- One (1) member active in a business organization representing the business community located in the district.
- One (1) member active in a senior citizens organization.
- One (1) member active in a bona-fide taxpayers association.
- Two (2) members of the community at-large.

Additional members of the community at-large may be appointed at the Board's sole discretion; however, the Board is only required to appoint seven members meeting the above criteria.

Qualification Standards

- (a) Committee members must be at least 18 years of age.
- (b) As specifically prohibited by Education Code Section 15282, the Committee may <u>not</u> include any employee, official of the District or any vendor, contractor or consultant of the District.
- (c) Residency within boundaries of School Facility District 2 (the Measure M voting area) is not required for service on the Committee. However, preference may be given to applicants who reside within SFID No. 2.

The duties of the Committee include:

• Informing the public concerning expenditure of bond proceeds.

- Reviewing expenditure reports produced by the District to ensure that (a) bond proceeds
 are being expended only for the purposes set forth in Measure M; and (b) no bond
 proceeds were used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other operating
 expenses.
- Providing an annual report to the Board that includes a statement indicating whether the
 District is in compliance with the requirements of Article XIIIA, Section 1(b)(3) of the
 California Constitutions and a summary of the Committee's proceeding and activities for
 the preceding year.

Application forms are available through the Superintendent's Office or via the website: http://fip.smmusd.org/CitizensOversight/application.pdf

Applications can be mailed to the district office (1651 16th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90404) or scanned and emailed to boc@smmusd.org.

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