



**Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District
Board Committee**

Financial Oversight Committee

Minutes - Amended

February 22, 2005

Time: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

**Location: Testing Room of the School District's Administrative Offices
1651 16th Street, Santa Monica, CA**

Attendance: (*Committee Members*) Paul Silvern [*Chair*], Craig Hamilton, Chris Harding, Patricia Hoffman, Cheryl Stecher [*Vice-Chair*], Cynthia Torres. (*Board Liaison*) Julia Brownley, Kathy Wisnicki. (*Staff*) Winston Braham, Gabe Soumakian. (*Public*) Jim Jaffe.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was Called to Order at 7:08 p.m. by Chair Silvern.

II. Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Hoffman and seconded by Mr. Silvern to approve the Minutes, as amended, from the February 7, 2005 meeting. Motion carried.

III. Old Business:

- A. Board Review of City of Santa Monica Contract: Mr. Braham informed members that the expected positive solvency certification for the District is at risk with the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) due to the absence of a fully-executed contract to commit City funds and/or payment(s). Members had thought the first payment, which was due December 31, 2004, was received. Mr. Braham explained that the contract needs to be executed in order to accompany the Second Interim Report when it's sent to LACOE, or that, at least, a letter should be sent confirming the commitment of funds from the City to the District. FOC members deliberated calling the City Council members on the importance of the City payment and the execution of the contract, but made no firm decision.
- B. Ad Hoc Facilities Committee: Mr. Harding and Mr. Hamilton reported on the first meeting of the Ad Hoc Facilities Committee.
- C. Report on FOC Applicant Interviews and Recommendations: The FOC interview subcommittee, comprised of Mr. Hamilton, Ms. Hoffman and Ms. Torres, interviewed a total of 9 candidates on February 1 and February 8, 2005. Ms. Torres reported that the applicant pool was very good, and the following candidates were recommended: Carolyn Galantine, Richard (Denny) Kernochan, and Michael Phillips. Ms. Torres will send a letter to the Board with an explanation and commentary, a synopsis of the process, notes of all the candidates, with a description of the three recommended candidates, and will encourage the Board to approve the recommendations at the March 3, 2005 Board Meeting.

IV. New Business

- A. District Enrollment Projections: A copy of the February 17, 2005 Board Agenda Information Item *Report on Student Enrollment Projections for 2005-06* (I.2) was distributed. Dr. Soumakian reviewed the report with the Committee and members discussed the information. Members discussed the ~~CBEDs~~ **actual and projected enrollment for 1998-2004 and the preliminary projections for 2005-06.** ~~from 1998 through 2005 and looked for ways~~ **Dr. Soumakian described his efforts** to separate permit students from the resident population.; **The Committee** reviewed the chart with projections versus actual, speculated that the difference in number in 2002 may have to do with permits and the timing of the District's Permit Policy, and believed that the 2004-05 decline was due to that Policy. For 2005-06, the District projections are 95% of the enrollment and are based on **2004** CBEDs data. The projections for 2004-05 showed a drop of 241 students while the adjustment range is 205 to 241 students. Dr. Soumakian showed the enrollment projection/analysis when permit and Special Day Class (SDC) students are separately tracked. The key point is to try to understand resident enrollment impact versus permit impact. It was brought up that the District is looking only at this 5-year **historical** data, but not looking at the underlying demographic trends, development, housing patterns, etc.

V. Public Comments:

Jim Jaffe

VI. Agenda Planning for the Next Meeting:

, Tuesday, March 8, 2005

VII. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.