



Pacifica School District

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Preparing Students for an Evolving World

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MEMORANDUM

Administrative Services

Meeting of

02/12/2020

TO: Dr. Heather Olsen, Superintendent
For Board of Trustees

FROM: Josephine Peterson, Chief Business Official

SUBJECT: Parcel Tax Oversight Committee Annual Report
(Information)

The Measure D Parcel Tax and Renewal (Measure N) (Protecting Quality Education) ballot language stated that the Parcel Tax would have “independent citizen oversight”. In the fall of 2008, the Pacifica Board of Trustees established a committee to review expenditures and to report to the public regarding the match of expenditures to the ballot language. The Committee consists of six parents (one from each school site selected by the Parent Teacher Organization) and seven community members (selected through an application process by the Governing Board). Current members of the committee are:

School Representatives:

Cabrillo	TBD
Ingrid B. Lacy	Janell Jones
Ocean Shore	Richard Zuromski (Chairperson)
Ortega	TBD
Sunset Ridge	Gracie Hough
Valleamar	Laura Vuskovic

Community Representatives

Therese Dyer	Judith Kell
Remi Tan	Nancy Rickson
Warren Hultberg	Joan Weideman

Elizabeth Bredall, Trustee, Heather Olsen (Superintendent) and Josie Peterson (Chief Business Official) attend the Committee meetings as non-voting members. The committee met on January 9, 2020 and reviewed the final expenditures for 2018-2019, proposed expenditures for 2019-2020 and a report on student achievement.

Nancy Rickson, community member will present a report of the Committee’s review.

Pacifica School District Parcel Tax Oversight Committee Report – February 2020

The parcel tax oversight committee, community members and parent representatives, have been charged to review the parcel tax ballot language and review expenditures of these precious taxpayer funds. The responsibility of this committee is to determine if the expenditures of parcel tax funds have been spent in accordance of the ballot language.

This group of community members and parent representatives met on January 9, 2020 to review the expenditures of parcel tax funds for 2018-2019 fiscal year as well as to review proposed expenditure for 2019-2020 fiscal year.

The committee reviewed the parcel tax ballot language. The Chief Business Officer presented a summary of expenditures and projected expenses backed up with detailed financial records. The Superintendent presented student achievement.

The committee asked questions regarding the expenditures. At the end of the discussion, the committee determined that the Pacifica School District has spent precious tax payer dollars to ensure that the district:

- Protect quality education and retain teachers by funding teacher positions and provide new teachers with support to be the very best.
- Support struggling students by funding counseling and teacher training to meet the needs of every student.
- Support struggling students and engage all students in science by sending all 5th graders to Outdoor Education for one week where they receive a real world experience in science. The expenditures for gardens continues to support this one week experience at each school where the goal is to develop students as stewards of our community.
- Support libraries and technology by funding library technicians who support teachers to provide access to information both through books and internet.
- Enhance Math by providing math aid training

People in Attendance at the Oversight Committee meeting:

Richard Zuromski, OS Chairperson
Joan Weideman, Community
Janell Jones, Ortega
Nancy Rickson, Cabrillo
Richard Hough, Sunset Ridge

Judith Kell
Elizabeth Bredall, Trustee
Heather Olsen, Superintendent
Josie Peterson, CBO



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Parcel Tax Report

July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 Actuals

Parcel Tax Revenues

2018-19

Prior Year Balance of Parcel Tax Funds	\$16,530
Current Year Projected Funds	\$1,280,981

Total Parcel Tax Funds Available	\$1,297,511
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Parcel Tax Expenditures

Teachers Salaries (8 Positions)	\$690,000
Teacher Support	\$78,780
Library Media (4 hours per site)	\$185,477
Counseling Program (2.4 Positions)	\$108,081
Outdoor Education	\$137,705
School Gardens	\$3,611
Math Aid Training	\$2,062

Total Parcel Tax Expenditures as of June 30	<u>\$1,205,717</u>
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Balance in Parcel Tax Fund as of June 30	<u><u>\$91,794</u></u>
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Parcel Tax Report

July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 Projections

Parcel Tax Revenues

2018-2019 Balance of Parcel Tax Funds	\$91,794
2019-2020 Projected Funds	\$1,280,000
Total Parcel Tax Funds Available 2019-2020	\$1,371,794

Parcel Tax Expenditures

Teachers Salaries (6-7 Teachers Positions)	\$670,000
Teacher Support	\$80,000
Counseling Program	\$206,174
Library Media Technician	\$195,330
Outdoor Education	\$138,140
School Gardens	\$5,332
Total Parcel Tax Expenditures as of June 30, 2020	<u>\$1,294,976</u>
Balance in Parcel Tax Fund as of June 30, 2020	<u><u>\$76,818</u></u>

As of October 2019