

BYLAWS OF THE
TURLOCK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEASURE “O” CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

SECTION 1. NAME

The name of this Committee shall be the Turlock Unified School District Measure “O” Citizens Oversight Committee (herein referred to as the “Committee”).

SECTION 2. OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSES

The primary objectives and purposes of this Committee shall be to monitor and report on the expenditure of Measure O bond proceeds and to inform the public concerning the expenditure of the bond proceeds.

SECTION 3. MEMBERS

This Committee shall have at least seven (7) members, as established by the Turlock Unified School District Board of Trustees (herein referred to as the “Board of Trustees”). All members shall be voting members. The members shall annually elect a Chair and a Vice-Chair except as provided for the initial Chair appointment by the Board of Trustees in Section 15.

SECTION 4. GENERAL POWERS

The Committee shall have powers and authority as established by Education Code Section 15278.

SECTION 5. POWERS

The Committee shall have the power to:

- (a) Perform any and all duties imposed on them collectively by law, or by these Bylaws;
- (b) Meet at such times and places as required by these Bylaws;
- (c) Review and report on the expenditure of Measure O bond proceeds

SECTION 6. ACTIONS AND REPORTS

The Committee may engage in the following activities:

- (1) Receiving and reviewing copies of the annual, independent performance audit required by subparagraph (C) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution.

- (2) Receiving and reviewing copies of the annual, independent financial audit required by subparagraph (D) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution.
- (3) Inspecting school facilities and grounds to ensure that bond revenues are expended in compliance with the requirements of paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution.
- (4) Reviewing efforts by the school district to maximize bond revenues by implementing cost-saving measures.

SECTION 7. TERMS OF OFFICE

Each Member shall hold office for two (2) years. Members may serve more than one (1) term and for no more than three (3) consecutive terms. The Board of Trustees shall be notified of any vacancy and shall have the sole power to fill all vacancies.

SECTION 8. REGULAR MEETINGS

The Committee shall meet once each quarter. Meetings will be held on the evening of the third Thursday of the quarter, except when impractical to do so.

SECTION 9. SPECIAL MEETINGS

Special meetings of the Committee may be called by the Chairperson or by a majority of the members.

SECTION 10. QUORUM FOR MEETINGS

A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members.

SECTION 11. MAJORITY ACTION AS COMMITTEE ACTION

Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the members present at a meeting duly held at which a quorum is present is the act of the Committee. Meetings may be adjourned when a quorum is not present.

SECTION 12. CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

Meetings of the Committee shall be presided over by the Chairperson of the Committee, or, if no such person has been so designated or, in his or her absence, the Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, or in the absence of each of these persons, by a temporary Chairperson chosen by a majority of the members present at the meeting.

The Committee shall follow Robert's Rules of Order in conducting its business.

SECTION 13. VACANCIES

Vacancies on the Committee shall exist on the death, resignation, or upon excessive unexcused absences of any member. Excessive unexcused absences are defined as unexcused absences for two consecutive regularly scheduled meetings.

Any member may resign effective upon giving written notice to the Chairperson of the Committee, the Vice-Chairperson, or the Committee, unless the notice specifies a later time for the effectiveness of such resignation.

Vacancies on the Committee may only be filled by the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 14. DUTIES OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE

The Board of Trustees shall appoint the first Chairperson of the Committee. The Board of Trustees shall appoint a chairperson familiar with Measure O, experienced in supervising public works projects, and capable of leading the Committee during its initial year. After this, the Committee shall select the Chairperson by voting.

If a Chairperson of the Committee is elected or appointed by the Board of Trustees, he or she shall assume all duties normally associated with that office. The Chairperson shall, when present, preside at all meetings, and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Committee are carried into effect. The Chairperson shall: put to a vote and announce the results of actions taken on questions before the Committee; resolve all questions of order (subject to appeal); call any special meetings when deemed necessary; and shall exercise and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Committee from time to time.

SECTION 15. DUTIES OF THE VICE-CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE

If a Vice-Chairperson of the Committee is elected, he or she shall assume all duties normally associated with that office. The Vice-Chairperson of the Committee shall conduct the meetings of the Committee should the Chairperson of the Committee be absent.

SECTION 16. AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

Subject to any provision of applicable law, these Bylaws, or any of them, may be altered, amended, or repealed and new Bylaws adopted by approval of the Board of Trustees. The Committee shall review the Bylaws and recommend revisions to the Board of Trustees as needed.

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Bylaws of the Committee named in the title thereto and that such Bylaws were duly adopted by the Board of Trustees on the date set forth below.

Dated: _____

Dana Salles Trevethan
Superintendent
Turlock Unified School District