



**Buena Park School District
School Safety, Modernization & Repair Measure (Measure “B”)
Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC)
2019 Annual Report**

March 16, 2020

To the Board of Education and residents of the Buena Park School District:

The Measure “B” Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC) is pleased to present its fourth annual report. This annual report covers the activities of the COC during the 2018 calendar year.

- On June 3, 2014, the voters of the Buena Park School District approved by 66.9% Measure “B” which authorized the issuance of up to \$71,000,000 in general obligation bonds. On September 25, 2014, the District issued 2014 Series A and B bonds in the amount of \$19,240,000 and \$1,830,000, respectively.
- Series A bonds are to be utilized to fund construction and infrastructure projects while Series B bonds, with a maturity of three years, will fund short term, technology assets such as iPads.
- On April 27, 2016, the District issued a bond anticipation note (BAN) in the amount of \$4,165,000 to ensure sufficient funding to complete Summer 2016 projects (primarily Buena Park Junior High Modernization & Gordon H. Beatty Elementary Seismic Upgrade projects).
- The above BAN has been repaid with proceeds from the second issuance of general obligation bonds issued in June 2017. Remaining proceeds from the second issuance has been utilized to pay for projects such as the Carl E. Gilbert & James A. Whitaker modernization projects.
- In May 23, 2018, the District issued Series 2018 bonds in the amount of \$10,205,000. Proceeds from this issuance will be utilized to pay for the Gordon H. Beatty and Arthur F. Corey modernization projects and for updating the facility master plan and to begin phase 2 projects.
- This report will be presented to the Buena Park School District (BPSD) Board of Education at its regular Board meeting on March 30, 2020 and covers the activities of the committee from January through December 2019.
- Please note that the COC’s role is to oversee use of bond proceeds and expenditures, review audit reports, and ensure that spending is consistent with Measure “B” guidelines.
- During the twelve (12) month period covered by this report, the COC held three (3) regular meetings including accompany the Board of Education on an optional tour of all of the

District's facilities and physically viewed the construction undertaken using Measure "B" funds.

- The COC officers are as follows: President (Ms. Frannie Donoghue), Vice-President (Mr. Alan McAuley), and Secretary (Ms. Cindy Brozzoski).
- At each of the regular meetings, the Committee reviewed and obtained project updates on the bond program.
- On March 30, 2020, the District's independent auditing firm (Christy White Associates) audit report will be presented to the BPSD Board of Education to present and review the Measure "B" performance and financial audit.

Audits

The independent auditing firm of Christy White Associates has completed a performance audit and a financial audit for the past fiscal year. The audits covered Fiscal Year 2018-19 for Measure "B" bond activities from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

On March 16, 2020, the COC received, reviewed and discussed the audit report with representatives from the audit firm. Christy White Associates specifies the following with respect to their audit:

- The financial statements reflected in the audit fairly presents, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Buena Park School District's Measure "B" Bond Building Fund.
- The proceeds of the sale of the Measure "B" bonds were only used for the purposes set forth in the Measure "B" ballot language and not for any other purpose, such as teacher and administrative salaries.
- For contracts subject to bidding requirements, requirements as stipulated by District and/or California Public Contract Code were followed and contracts were awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.
- There were no irregularities or findings related to the financial and performance audits performed for the Buena Park School District.

Financial Summary

REVENUES

Interest income \$ 111,130

Total revenues 111,130

EXPENDITURES

Plant services 79,735

Facility acquisition and construction 4,246,110

Total expenditures 4,357,240

Excess (deficiency) of revenues over/(under) expenditures (4,246,110)

Fund balance, July 1, 2018 **8,425,692**

Fund Balance, June 30, 2019 **\$ 4,179,582**

EXPENDITURES BY PROJECT: (through June 30, 2019)	Amount
Beatty Modernization	\$ 2,276,551
Corey Modernization	1,399,734
Buena Park Junior High School Music Building	126,738
Miscellaneous	<u>554,217</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$4,357,240</u>

In addition to the audit, attached is a status update of the bond projects that the Buena Park School District has or is undertaking as well as projects completed in prior years.

Project Status as of March 16, 2020

2019 - Completed Projects

No Projects Completed in 2019.

2019 - Construction in Progress

Buena Park Junior High School Band Room

- Design and development with NAC Architects presented to Division of State Architect in September 2019, received from DSA January 2020. Bidding in February/March 2020.

Whitaker Landscape Project

- Architect design has been completed
- The Governing Board did not award a bid during 2018 due to cost being greater than projection.
- Plan will be revisited in the future.

Future Projects Under Development

Phase II Facilities Master Plan has been updated and presented to the Governing Board, prepared by NAC Architects.

Projects Completed in Prior Years

Mabel L. Pendleton Elementary Modernization Project

- Construction is 100% complete.
- Scope of work included full modernization of sixteen (16) permanent classrooms and four (4) portable classrooms. Above classrooms were equipped with 21st Century technology which included, amongst other things, projectors (interactive projectors for permanent classrooms), 70” displays, control units, amplified sound system, Apple TV, wall writer board, and new furniture, flooring, tack board walls, and ceilings. The site was also outfitted with a new phone/clock/bell system as well as with security alarm and camera systems. Additionally, the site administration office was refurbished with new furniture, flooring, tack board walls and ceilings.
- The Division of the State Architect (DSA) has certified this project is 100% complete.

Charles G. Emery Elementary Modernization Project

- Construction is 100% complete.
- Scope of work included modernizing twenty (20) permanent classrooms and eight (8) portable classrooms. Above classrooms were equipped with 21st Century technology which included, amongst other things, projectors (interactive projectors for permanent classrooms), 70” displays, control units, amplified sound system, Apple TV, wall writer board, and new furniture, flooring, tack board walls, and ceilings. The site was also outfitted with a new phone/clock/bell system as well as with security alarm and camera systems. Additionally, the site administration office was refurbished with new furniture, flooring, tack board walls and ceilings.
- The Division of the State Architect (DSA) has certified this project is 100% complete.

Wide Area Network (WAN) / Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN) Installation Project

- Construction is 100% complete.
- Scope of work included (a) Installation of campus-wide Wi-Fi at all seven (7) school sites and at the District Office, (b) Expanded network/internet access district-wide, (c) Installation of new server infrastructure district-wide including a data backup center, and (d) Installation of school site MDF equipment.

iPad Roll-out for Grades 4-8 (District-wide)

- Distribution of one to one student devices (i.e., iPads) for Grades 4-8 is 100% complete.
- 1,750 iPads were issued to all students in Grades 4-6. With parent authorization, students are able to take their iPads home with them.
- 1,175 iPads were issued to all students in Grades 7-8. With parent authorization, students are able to take their iPads home with them.
- A Mobile Device Management system (MDM) was also purchased to manage student devices and applications.

Gordon H. Beatty Elementary Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) System Replacement Project

- Construction is 100% complete.
- This HVAC unit provides cooling and heating for twenty-four (24) classrooms plus the auditorium and cafeteria housed in the Beatty Elementary primary building and kindergarten complex.
- The unit was well past the end of its useful life.

Rubberized Playground Surfaces Project

- Construction is 100% complete.
- Previously all six (6) elementary school sites had playground surfaces (i.e., the area under playground equipment and swings) filled with wood chips.
- Fifteen (15) playgrounds were resurfaced with rubberized surfaces and now all playground areas district-wide have these surfaces.
- Rubberized surfaces increase student safety and functionality.
- This project was identified as a top priority by District stakeholders.

Carl E. Gilbert Elementary Fencing Project

- Construction is 100% complete.
- Scope of work called for installation of 820 feet of wrought iron fence along the North perimeter of the Gilbert Elementary campus.
- This fence separates the school site from the City park and serves to safeguard the District's students, staff and campus.

Re-roofing of Select Buildings Project

- Construction is 100% complete.
- Five (5) buildings at Buena Park Junior High School, two (2) buildings at Mabel L. Pendleton Elementary, and a portion of the District Office roof (to safeguard servers utilized for the District's WAN/WLAN) were re-roofed.
- The five (5) buildings at Buena Park Junior High School encompass fifteen (15) classrooms while the two (2) buildings at Pendleton Elementary encompass eight (8) classrooms.

Arthur F. Corey Elementary Seismic Upgrade Project

- Construction is 100% complete.
- Project scope called for a seismic upgrade to meet the latest Division of the State Architect (DSA) code requirements for the Corey library building which in addition to the library houses six (6) classrooms and two (2) staff offices.
- As part of this project, a new roof was installed, solar tubes were installed for day-lighting purposes, new carpet installed in the library portion of the building, all interior walls painted, and a wheelchair lift was installed to enhance accessibility to the raised area of the library.
- The Division of the State Architect (DSA) has certified this project as 100% complete.

Buena Park Junior High School Modernization Project

- Construction is 100% complete.
- Scope of work included full modernization of thirty-six (36) permanent classrooms including six (6) science rooms. Above classrooms were equipped with 21st Century technology which includes, amongst other things, projectors (interactive projectors for

permanent classrooms), 70” displays, control units, amplified sound system, Apple TV, wall writer board, and new furniture, flooring, tack board walls, and ceilings. The site was also outfitted with a new phone/clock/bell system as well as with security alarm and camera systems.

- The Division of the State Architect (DSA) has certified this project as 100% complete.

Gordon H. Beatty Elementary Seismic Upgrade Project

- Construction is 100% complete.
- Project scope called for a seismic upgrade to meet the latest Division of the State Architect (DSA) code requirements for the Beatty primary building (i.e., Building “B”) which in addition to the multi-purpose room and cafeteria houses sixteen (16) classrooms.
- As part of this project, a new roof was installed and solar tubes were installed for day-lighting purposes in the classrooms.
- The Division of the State Architect (DSA) has certified this project is 100% complete.

New Phone System Project (at 4 school sites and the District Office)

- This project is 100% complete.
- Project entailed pulling cable and installing new Voice over IP (VOIP) phones at the four (4) school sites that have not yet been modernized and at the District Office.
- The four (4) school sites are: Gordon H. Beatty Elementary, Arthur F. Corey Elementary, Carl E. Gilbert Elementary, and James A. Whitaker Elementary.
- This project will safeguard the District’s students and staff by providing reliable phones in the event of an emergency.

Carl E. Gilbert Elementary School Modernization Project

- Construction is 100% complete by Scorpio Enterprises, Inc.
- Scope of work included modernizing thirty-one (31) permanent classrooms and one (1) portable classroom. Above classrooms were equipped with 21st Century technology which includes, amongst other things, projectors (interactive projectors for permanent classrooms), 70” displays, control units, amplified sound system, Apple TV, wall writer board, and new furniture, flooring, tack board walls, and ceilings. The site was also outfitted with a new clock/bell system as well as with security alarm and camera systems.
- Project close-out with the Division of State Architect (DSA) is underway.

James A. Whitaker Elementary School Modernization Project

- Construction is 100% complete by Scorpio Enterprises, Inc.
- Scope of work included modernizing twenty-three (23) permanent classrooms and three (3) portable classrooms. Above classrooms were equipped with 21st Century technology which includes, amongst other things, projectors (interactive projectors for permanent classrooms), 70” displays, control units, amplified sound system, Apple TV, wall writer board, and new furniture, flooring, tack board walls, and ceilings. The site was also outfitted with a new clock/bell system as well as with security alarm and camera systems.
- Project close-out with the Division of State Architect (DSA) is underway.

Re-roofing of Select Buildings Project

- The project is 100% complete by Letner Roofing Company
- The six (6) buildings at Carl E. Gilbert Elementary encompass eighteen (18) classrooms.

Gordon H. Beatty Air Condition Project

- Replace three (3) Twenty-five-ton air condition units on the upper building providing cooling for sixteen (16) classrooms plus the cafeteria housed in the building.
- Project 100% complete.

Gordon H. Beatty Elementary School Modernization Project

- Construction is 100% complete.
- The Governing Board awarded the bid to Scorpio Enterprises, Inc. at its February 26, 2018 Board Meeting.
- Scope of work includes modernizing thirty-six (36) permanent classrooms and one (1) STEAM Lab. Above classrooms and lab are to be equipped with 21st Century technology which includes, amongst other things, projectors (interactive projectors for permanent classrooms), 70” displays, control units, amplified sound system, Apple TV, wall writer board, and new furniture, flooring, tack board walls, and ceilings. The site will also be outfitted with a new clock/bell system as well as with security alarm and camera systems.
- The Division of the State Architect (DSA) has certified this project is 100% complete.

Arthur F. Corey Elementary School Modernization Project

- Construction is 100% complete.
- The Governing Board awarded the bid to New Dynasty Construction at its February 26, 2018 Board Meeting.
- Scope of work includes modernizing twenty-four (24) permanent classrooms. Above classrooms are to be equipped with 21st Century technology which includes, amongst other things, projectors (interactive projectors for permanent classrooms), 70” displays, control units, amplified sound system, Apple TV, wall writer board, and new furniture, flooring, tack board walls, and ceilings. The site will also be outfitted with a new clock/bell system as well as with security alarm and camera systems.
- The Division of the State Architect (DSA) has certified this project is 100% complete.

For more detailed information, please see the Citizen’s Oversight Committee website at <http://www.bpsd.k12.ca.us/District/FacPrgCC.aspx>

The Buena Park School District has conducted an annual, independent financial audit of proceeds and use of Measure “B” funds. Bond proceeds were only used for the purposes set forth in the Measure “B” ballot language and not for any other purpose, such as teacher and administrative salaries. The auditors noted no irregularities or findings related to the financial and performance audits performed for the Buena Park School District.

Citizens' Oversight Committee Members (as of March 16, 2020)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Term</u>
Frannie Donoghue	President	September 2018-2020
Alan McAuley	Vice-President	September 2018-2020
Cindy Brozzoski	Secretary	September 2018-2020
Marvin Aceves	Member	December 2018-2020
Kenneth Anderson	Member	September 2018-2020
Tamra Banks	Member	September 2018-2020
L. Carole Jensen	Member	December 2018-2020
Liz Arcos-Realpe	Member	February 2020-2022
Brianna Scott	Member	February 2020-2022
Yesenia Vasquez	Member	February 2020-2022
Claudia Zaragoza Pena	Member	February 2020-2022

Respectfully,

Citizens' Oversight Committee