

SIMI VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

2009 Annual Report
January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009

BACKGROUND:

Measure C4 is a \$145 million bond measure approved by voters on March 2, 2004, authorizing funding for the design and construction of new buildings and modernization of existing school facilities within the Simi Valley Unified School District.

As required by state law, an Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee (ICOC) has been established to actively monitor all Measure C4 projects and expenditures, provide proper oversight, control and accountability to ensure that Measure C4 funds are used as they were intended and report to the community at-large.

As prescribed by ICOC bylaws, this report includes the following:

1. A statement indicating whether the District is in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, and
2. A summary of the Committee's proceedings and activities for the preceding year.

ICOC ACTIVITIES

Meetings – The committee meets regularly every other month. During 2009, the regular meetings were held on January 28, March 25, May 27, September 23 and November 18. Each meeting is open to the public to provide input regarding the overall bond program, budget, financing matters and construction schedules. The ICOC conducted meetings at several school sites including Santa Susana High School, Township Elementary School, Valley View Middle School, Atherwood Elementary School and Royal High School.

Website – The ICOC continues to assist in keeping the website operational to provide the general public information relating to general information about the ICOC, construction schedules, budget reports, press releases, legislative requirements and other items of interest.

Performance Audits – The fifth performance audit of the Proposition 39 Bond Measure C4 program was finalized during 2009 with the assistance of the ICOC. This covered the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, and was presented to the Board of Education on December 15, 2009.

Press Release – There were no press releases in 2009.

Annual Report – The previous Annual Report (for the year 2008) was submitted and approved at the ICOC Regular Meeting on May 27, 2009.

DISTRICT COMPLIANCE

The ICOC believes that the District is in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, which provides that bond revenues are expended only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities, including furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities; and that no funds are used for any faculty salaries or other school operating expenses.

November 17, 2010

MEMBERS - 2009

Michael Brasier - Publicity
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