

CLASSROOMS
FIRST COUNCIL
REVIEW

FOR SUSD SCHOOL BOARD
NOVEMBER 17, 2015

From the Beginning

- ❖ From: Governor's Executive Order: January 2014
 - ❖ Efficiencies
- ❖ To: Governor's Six Principles to Guide the Work
 - ❖ Efficiency and Flexibility in Funding
 - ❖ Focus on academic outcomes
 - ❖ Single, Easy to Understand Formula
 - ❖ Address Equity
 - ❖ Transparency in School Level Funding
 - ❖ Empowering School Leaders

Structure of Meetings

- ❖ Working Groups
- ❖ Consultants directed by Working Groups
- ❖ Full Council Meetings
- ❖ Reporting out on content of work in September
- ❖ Final Meetings in December
- ❖ *What you Need to Know:*
 - ❖ Ongoing Conversations: Longer Horizon for many actions

Three Working Groups

- ❖ Equity and One Formula
- ❖ Incentives and Recognition for Excellence
- ❖ Student Centered Learning Priorities

- ❖ *What you Need to Know:*
 - ❖ High level of overlap in Working Group topics

Equity, One Formula

- ❖ The variety and diversity of funding sources in a school choice environment magnifies the problems with an aging funding formula designed for one type of system
- ❖ Equity for both students and school systems
- ❖ The mechanics of getting to a single formula for all schools: What goes, what stays, how to fund
- ❖ *What you Need to Know:*
 - ❖ One Formula Exploration is a long term issue

Recognition for Excellence

- ❖ Regulatory
 - ❖ Alignment
 - ❖ Performance Based
- ❖ Achievement Funding
 - ❖ Any funding would be in addition to current dollars
 - ❖ Focus on High Poverty Schools
 - ❖ “A” schools; B/C with Gains
- ❖ *What you Need to Know:*
 - ❖ Based on New A-F model; all schools have chance to be “A” schools

Student-Centered Levers

- ❖ Special Education
 - ❖ Extraordinary circumstances
 - ❖ Cost Study; Update and Fund
- ❖ Poverty
 - ❖ Higher Achievement Weights
- ❖ School Level Transparency on Student Funding
- ❖ *What you Need to Know:*
 - ❖ Teacher Retention and Recruitment is wrapped around all of these conversations on student-centered needs

Next Steps

- ❖ One more Meeting of the Full Council to hear new Content
- ❖ Meeting in December to synthesize Phase II
- ❖ Await Governor's Reaction to conversations