

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Office of the Board of Education

August 27, 2008

To: OAKLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

From: DAVID KAKISHIBA  
Board President

Re: **MEASURE "G" PARCEL TAX CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

**Action Requested**

The Board of Education adopts the following terms to establish the Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee (Committee) for the 2008 Education Parcel Tax – Measure "G":

I. **Committee Purpose**

Ensure that proceeds of the 2008 Education Parcel Tax are spent only for the purposes named in the measure: 1) attract and retain highly qualified teachers; 2) maintain courses that help student qualify for college; 3) maintain up-to-date textbooks and instructional materials; 4) keep class sizes small; 5) continue after-school academic programs; 6) maintain school libraries; and 7) provide programs, including art and music programs, that enhance student achievement.

II. **Committee Duties**

- A. Receive and review a report from the District Superintendent no later than December 31st of each year, beginning no later than December 31, 2009, that details: 1) the amount of 2008 Education Parcel Tax revenues received and expended in such year; and 2) the status of any projects or description of any programs funded from proceeds of the tax.
- B. Submit to the Board of Education regarding recommendations for corrective action to ensure that Parcel Tax proceeds are spent only for purposes named in the measure.
- C. Produce an annual report for public distribution that communicates the Committee's findings and recommendations.

III. **Committee Membership**

- A. The Committee shall be comprised of a total of seven (7) members.
- B. Each elected member of the Board of Education shall appoint one (1) member to the Committee, no later than June 30th of each year.

- C. Each member serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority.
- D. The President of the Board of Education shall designate one Committee member to serve as the Chairperson of the Committee.

Attachment: Resolution No. 0809-0043 - Creating the Oakland Unified School District Measure G Parcel Tax Oversight Committee

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**RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OF THE  
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**Resolution No. 0809-0043**

**CREATING THE MEASURE G PARCEL TAX INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the voters of the City of Oakland on February 5, 2008 permanently enacted the "Oakland Unified School District 2008 Education Parcel Tax Measure" commonly known as "Measure G", the education special tax of \$195 per parcel, commencing July 1, 2009, exempting low-income taxpayers, and with all money benefiting Oakland schools, to attract and retain highly qualified teachers, maintain courses that help students qualify for college, maintain up-to-date textbooks and instructional materials, keep class sizes small, continue after-school academic programs, maintain school libraries, and provide programs, including arts and music, that enhance student achievement; and

**WHEREAS**, Measure G also included accountability provisions, among others, that an Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee be established to "ensure that the proceeds ... are spent only for the purposes named in this measure;"

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education, in response to the forestated accountability provision of Measure G, hereby establishes the "Measure G Parcel Tax Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee" (hereinafter "Committee"), effective July 1, 2009; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Committee purpose, duties and membership shall be as stated below:

Committee Purpose. To insure that the tax proceeds ... are spent only for the purposes enumerated in the measure;

Committee Duties.

A) Receive and review a report from the District Superintendent no later than December 31st of each year, beginning no later than December 31, 2009 that details: 1) the amount of 2008 Education Parcel Tax revenues received and expended in such year; and 2) the status of any projects or description of any programs funded from proceeds of the tax;

B) Submit to the Board of Education recommendations, if any, for corrective action to ensure that Parcel Tax proceeds are spent only for purposes named in the measure; and

C) Produce an annual report for public distribution that communicates the Committee's findings and recommendations.

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Committee Membership and Officer

- A) The Committee shall be comprised of a total of seven (7) members; and
  
- B) Each elected member of the Board of Education shall appoint one (1) member to the Committee initially at the formation of the Committee and, thereafter, at the Annual Organizational Meeting of the Board each year; and
  
- C) Each Committee member serves at the pleasure of the appointing Board member; and
  
- D) The President of the Board of Education shall designate one Committee member at the Annual Organizational Meeting of the Board to serve as the Chairperson of the Committee annually and shall serve at the pleasure of the President; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Committee shall comply with any and all applicable laws including the Brown Act, rules and regulations of the Board of Education, governing committees and shall use Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (Latest Edition) in the conduct of its business not otherwise provided for by law or rules of the Board; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a quorum for the conduct of business and for decisions of the Committee shall be a majority of the total existing membership of the committee; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of the Board and the Superintendent of Schools shall offer staff support to the Committee within the constraints of the annually approved budget.

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PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Gregory Hodge, Gary Yee, Noel Gallo, Christopher Dobbins,  
Vice President Alice Spearman, President David Kakishiba

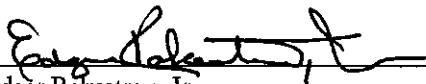
NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

RECUSED: None

ABSENT: Kerry Hamill

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, full true and correct copy of a Resolution passed by the Board of Education at a Regular Meeting of the State Administrator and/or the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District held this 27th day of August, 2008.

  
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Edgar Rakestraw, Jr.  
Secretary, Board of Education