Measure N 2016-2017

To:Measure N CommissionFrom:Preston Thomas, Executive DirectorDate:April 14, 2017

Subject: 2015-2016 Measure N Carryover Summary

Executive Summary:

This report documents a summary of Cohort 1 schools, comprised of all 17 OUSD High School and 6 Charter schools, who received the 2015-2016 Measure N Planning Grant. This report provides a summary on sites who spent their full Measure N allocation or not, reasons as to why it was not all spent, and their plans to spend their carryover amounts moving forward.

OUSD High Schools

16 out of 17 OUSD High Schools did not spend their full 2015-16 Measure N Planning Grant allocation and received their carryover amounts.

Overall, these 16 OUSD sites expressed the following as reasons as to why they did not spend their full allocation:

- Sites intentionally planned to rollover Measure N dollars to the following year in order to cover some of the following:
 - Costs of planned programs or start-up costs
 - Summer school, summer program, and summer work costs
- Sites intentionally planned to rollover Measure N dollars due to:
 - School setting up systems and structures and held back spending in order to be intentional and aligned
 - Focusing on specific pilots and wanting to learn from those pilots in order to be more intentional and aligned with spending moving forward
- Challenges due to time and capacity
 - Staff unable to budget, plan, and implement while staff also served as Pathway Directors, Department Leads, Teachers, etc.
 - Staff making budgetary decisions were unsure of allowable expenses of Measure N
 - Staff indicated feeling that they had limited knowledge and experience with budgets
 - Fiscal timelines and processes
 - Limited or unavailable prep periods and/or meeting times for staff to plan and discuss expenditures together
- Challenges within site context
 - Staff turnover led to teams beginning planning and piloting later in the year

- Staff turnover led to new staff not being fully aware of Measure N process which slowed down process
- Other funding timelines, expectations, and deliverables were prioritized
- Contracts not fulfilled
- Invoices not processed

Overall, these 16 OUSD sites expressed spending their carryover on the following expenditures:

- Continued pathway development
 - Pilot projects
 - Teacher extended contracts for curriculum building, project based learning, collaboration, etc.
 - Summer internships
 - Conferences and opportunities for deeper learning for pathway teams
 - Industry site visits
 - Pathway retreats
- Schoolwide structures and systems
 - Intervention
 - Site visits
 - Teacher stipends for collaboration and cycles of inquiry
 - Professional development on topics such as Restorative Justice, Literacy, CTE, etc.
 - Advisory
 - Dual enrollment

It has been determined that all planned expenditures for carryover funds continue to be aligned with sites original Measure N Education Improvement Plan (SPSA) and pathway development work.

Charter Schools

All 6 Charter schools submitted a self-reported Measure N Financial Report to articulate how 2015-16 Measure N Planning Grants funds were spent and to determine if there was any carryover. All 6 Charter schools reported having spent their full 2015-16 Measure N Planning Grant allocation.