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Sacramento Unified School District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

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What is a General Obligation Bond?

A constitutionally authorized debt or obligation;
voter approved;
secured by a pledge of property taxes;
subject to accountability provisions and constraints on borrowing
in Education Code.



Sacramento City Unified's Bond Measures

Measure Q (November, 2012)

- \$346,000,000 G.O. Bonds

Measure R (November, 2012)

- \$68,000,000 G.O. Bonds

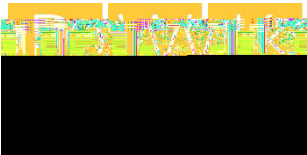
Measure H (March, 2020)

- \$750,000,000 G.O. Bonds



Proposition 39 Bonds

“Prop 39” amended the State Constitution to allow school district



Permissible Uses of Bond Proceeds

Construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities



Citizens' Oversight Committee (Ed. Code Sections 15278-82)

Minimum 7 Members, WITH ONE EACH:

- Active member of Senior Citizen Org.
- Taxpayer Association Representative
- Local Business Representative
- PTA Member
- Parent of Student

Member terms must be a minimum of 2 years

COC members may only serve a maximum of three consecutive terms



Purposes of the COC

To inform the public concerning the expenditure of bond revenues.

Review and report on expenditure of taxpayers' money for school construction.

- Issue regular reports - at least once a year





Board Do's and COC Don'ts

What can the Governing Board do?

Appoint COC and establish
guidelines

Approve project list



COC Activities

Review annual, independent financial and performance audits performed by an independent consultant.

Inspect school facilities and grounds to ensure that bond revenues are expended in compliance with law.

Review any deferred maintenance proposals or plans.



COC Activities (continued)

Review District efforts to maximize bond revenues through implementation of cost-saving measures:

- Professional fees
- Site preparation
- Joint use of facilities
- School site design efficiencies
- Reusable facility plans





The Brown Act

Government Code Section 54950 et seq.

Aka: The Sunshine Law
or
The Open Meetings Law

**REQUIRES THE PEOPLES'
BUSINESS TO BE CONDUCTED
IN THE OPEN**



Questions?





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