

Meeting: ECASD Referendum Committee

Date: February 20, 2024

Time: 4:30p.m. – 5:30p.m.

Location: Administration Building Room 137

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marquell Johnson*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lori Bica	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Erica Zerr	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abby Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Johnson
<input type="checkbox"/> Kay Marks	<input type="checkbox"/> Kaying Xiong	<input type="checkbox"/> Kim Koller	<input type="checkbox"/> Mandy Van Vleet	<input type="checkbox"/>

* Committee Chair (left at 5:30p)

The regular meeting of the Referendum Committee was called to order by Marquell Johnson at 4:30p.m. on February 20, 2024. Quorum was met.

Notes: Marisa Pomplun

- **Public Comment**
 - No public present.
- **Approval of Previous Minutes**
 - The minutes from January 5, 2024 were reviewed.

Erica Zerr made a motion to approve the January 5, 2024 Referendum Committee minutes. The motion was seconded by Lori Bica. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

- **Referendum Work**
 - Abby gave an update on the work that Administration is doing for the Referendum. This included sharing what the 2023-24 budget would have looked like if reductions weren't made prior to the adoption.
 - The group reviewed budget projections with different scenarios to see what the end results would be for the District Fund Balance. There was discussion about the importance of having a healthy Fund Balance.
 - Information was shared to aid the conversation on "how much is enough?"
 - The District evaluated three proposals for a survey company to help with the referendum work. Next steps include asking what the District wants to know from the Community. It is important to keep in mind the circumstances that the community has on its plate at the moment.

Action Items

- Share items to review with the full Board
- Higher than \$20M for amounts 15,17,19,21,23,25 (.5)
- Recurring vs Nonrecurring information
- Redo projection table with amounts listed and what the fund balance looks like
- Target dates for the Referendum Committee to have a recommendation to the full Board
 - Sample questions
 - Words that can go into the question
 - Articulating the need
 - Prioritized items?
- Samples of February Referenda that passed/failed state wide
 - See those other amounts and the number of students and percent of operating budget
- **Wrap-up Meeting**
 - Next meeting March 1, 2024

Erica Zerr moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Lori Bica. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 5:46p.m.