



# Final Report

## Citizens' Oversight Committee

Fiscal Year 2007/08

The Citizens' Oversight Committee has reviewed all of the financial expenditures of Measure E proceeds and has reviewed all actions related to the compliance with Education Code 15728. The referenced expenditure report herein is the latest that the Citizens' Oversight Committee has been provided; wherein the information provides the site, activity, vendor, and amount of each payment. The most recent expenditure report reviewed by the Committee relative to the reporting period was May 15, 2008. The report has been made available for public review.

The District has complied with Article XIII A, and Education Code 15728 at Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution as follows:

- 1) The first series of Measure E bonds (Series A) of \$23 million were issued in June 2002. Proceeds were spent only for construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including furnishings and equipping of school facilities, or acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities as identified in the projects list.
- 2) The second series of Measure E bonds (Series B) of \$15 million was issued in June 2003. Proceeds were spent only on construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities including furnishings and equipping of school facilities on acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities as identified in the projects list.
- 3) The third series of Measure E bonds (Series C) of \$10 million were issued in June 2004. Proceeds were spent only on construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities including furnishings and equipping of school facilities on acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities as identified in the projects list.
- 4) The fourth series of Measure E bonds (Series D) of \$6 million were issued in May 2005. Proceeds were spent only on construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities including furnishings and equipping of school facilities on acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities as identified in the projects list.
- 5) The fifth and final series of Measure E bonds (Series E) of \$6 million were issued in February 2006. Proceeds were spent only on construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities including furnishings and equipping of school facilities on acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities as identified in the projects list.
- 6) No proceeds were spent on teacher salaries, administrative salaries or on operational expenses.
- 7) An independent audit was prepared for each year ending June 30, complying with the provisions of the Education Code and approved by the Citizens' Oversight Committee. The latest audit referenced here was completed by the auditor and reviewed by the Citizens' Oversight Committee on May 15, 2008. The audit is available for public review on the District's webpage [www.hemetusd.k12.ca.us](http://www.hemetusd.k12.ca.us) at the Citizens' Oversight Committee link. Copies are also available at the District Office.
- 8) The District has made efforts to maximize the bond revenues by implementing cost-saving measures such as negotiating cost reduction in professional fees for architectural design, use of construction management value engineering services, reuse of plans, incorporation of water and energy conservation measures such as use of reclaimed water and use of drought tolerant plants within the school plans. Through the cooperation and partnership with contractor, Bogh Construction, and our Construction Manager, douglas e. barnhart, the District saved \$1 million on the site grading of Tahquitz High School.
- 9) The Committee has been provided necessary and adequate technical assistance from District staff in order for the Committee to fulfill its legal obligations and purpose. District staff welcomes Committee questions and comments. You can contact Richard Beck at [rbeck@hemetusd.k12.ca.us](mailto:rbeck@hemetusd.k12.ca.us). Staff has provided regular project status reports and expenditure reports quarterly to the Committee and agenda items as requested by the members.
- 10) The agendas, minutes, and reports have been made available to the public and are posted on the website maintained by the District ([www.hemetusd.k12.ca.us](http://www.hemetusd.k12.ca.us)).
- 11) The Committee has complied with the Ralph M. Brown Act (Brown Act) a public meetings act, by having formally scheduled meetings with agendas duly noticed, open to the public, with minutes taken and posted on the District's webpage under the Citizens' Oversight Committee. Meetings are held on a quarterly basis on the third Thursday of the month. Special meetings may be scheduled and will follow the provisions of the Brown Act.
- 12) The Committee has toured various sites and has reviewed the progress reports on the status of all projects.
- 13) The Committee has reviewed and approved each Annual Report on the expenditures of Measure E each year since the initial expenditures from Measure E.

Approved May 15, 2008 by the Citizens' Oversight Committee

*Anna Marie Dalbey*

Anna Marie Dalbey, Chairperson

*Thomas Green*

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