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Local Community Members to Oversee Prop X School Bond Measure
South Bay Union School District appoints new members to Citizens' Oversight Committee

Imperial Beach, CA - The South Bay Union School District (SBUSD) recently appointed a parent representative and community-at-large representative to its Citizens' Oversight Committee. The committee members will oversee the expenditure of Prop X, the \$59.4 million school safety and repair bond currently modernizing the District's schools.

New appointees Juliann M. Cook-Ly and Elizabeth Dixon will fill the community-at-large and PTA/School Site Council member positions, respectively. Dixon is a parent representative on the District Advisory Committee as well as a full-time volunteer and member of the Mendoza Elementary School Site Council. Cook-Ly is also an active member of the South Bay community; she has been president of the Mendoza Elementary School Site Council for the past two years and is an active member in the school's PTA as well as local non-profit organizations in the community.

"The dedication of the Citizens' Oversight Committee is a testament to the members' vested interest in ensuring that we create world-class facilities for our students," said South Bay Union School District Board President Althea F. Jones.

The new appointees will join current committee members including business representative Casey Broach, member-at-large Duane Leach, parent representative Harold Phelps, senior citizen representative Dee McLean and taxpayer representative Jim Doud. Current members of the Citizens' Oversight Committee have been appointed by the District's governing board from a list of candidates who submitted written applications, based on criteria established by Prop 39.

The Citizens' Oversight Committee will regularly communicate with the Board of Trustees and the public to ensure that school bond funds are invested as the voters intended and that the construction projects are completed wisely and efficiently.

About Prop X

Prop X is a \$59.4 million school classroom, safety and repair measure approved by South Bay voters in November 2008 that will fund the repairs and improvements needed to ensure that the District's 9,000 students are in a safe, healthy and quality learning environment. The renovations will modernize classrooms, restrooms and cafeterias; improve handicap accessibility; make health and safety improvements; and improve student access to computers and modern technology. For more information, visit www.buildingpropx.com.

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