

**Ventura Unified School District
Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee**

Measure E General Obligation Bonds

Applicant Packet

The Ventura Unified School District is establishing a Citizen's Oversight Committee to review expenditures associated with Measure E, which was approved by District voters on November 8, 2022. The Committee will be responsible for ensuring that bond revenues are used only as voters intended and for informing the public of bond expenditures. The Board invites all interested community members to apply for service on the Committee.

Who will be on the Committee?

The Committee must have at least seven members. In addition to two members of the community at large, there must be at least one member from each of the following groups:

- One member who is active in a business organization representing the business community located within the school district.
- One member who is active in a senior citizen's organization.
- One member who is the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the school district.
- One member who is the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the school district and is active in a parent-teacher organization.
- One member who is active in a bona-fide taxpayer's organization.

In addition, the Board of Education wishes to maintain a balance in representation across the five Trustee areas.

The Committee may not include any employee or official of the school district or any vendor, contractor, or consultant of the school district. Members must be at least 18 years old, and preference will be given to members who live within the geographic boundary of the District.

What will the Committee do?

The committee will be responsible for making reports to the Board and the community about bond expenditures.

How often will the Committee meet?

The Committee is required to meet at least one time per year, and it is estimated that the Committee will meet approximately four to six times per year. Specific meeting dates will be determined by the Committee. Committee members will be appointed by the Board to serve an initial two-year term. A maximum of three consecutive, two-year, terms is allowed under the law.

How will the Committee be selected?

The Board will select member of the Committee taking into account the applicant's professional and/or practical experience, the applicant's recognition in or contribution to their community, the diversity of experience on the Committee as a whole, and representation on the Committee from various communities within the district. The Board is expected to appoint the new members of the Committee by Tuesday, February 28, 2023.

What else should the applicant know?

Under the provisions of California Education Code Section 35233, a member of the Committee may not have any financial interests in any contracts made with the District during the member's two-year term. Committee members may also be subject to the Political Reform Act of 1974 and its Conflict of Interest Provision. In order to ensure no conflicts of interests exist and ensure transparency of the Committee, members will be required to acknowledge an Ethics Policy and have on file with the District Form 700 (Statement of Economic Interests of the Fair Political Practices Commission).

All committee proceedings will be open to the public and will be subject to the Brown Act. All documents and reports received or published by the Committee will be a matter of public record, and will be made available on the District's web site.

The Board will provide the Committee with administrative support and sufficient resources to publicize the committee reports.

Where is more information available?

Additional information can be found at <https://www.venturausd.org/about/measure-e>. Please call the Ventura Unified School District at (805) 641-5000 ext. 1202 for questions you may have.

Ventura Unified School District

Application for Bond Oversight Committee

The Board of the Ventura Unified School District is establishing a Citizens' Oversight Committee to monitor school construction activities associated with Measure E.

Applicant's Name: _____

Home address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Proposition 39 requires that the Committee have at least one member representing each of five categories. Please check all that apply to you.

1. _____ I am active in a business organization representing the business community located within the Ventura Unified School District – Please specify:

2. _____ I am active in a senior citizen's organization – please specify:

3. _____ I am a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the Ventura Unified School District.

4. _____ I am active in a parent-teacher organization and a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in Ventura Unified School District – please specify:

5. _____ I am Active in a bona fide taxpayer's organization. Please specify:

Please share your experiences in Ventura Unified School District and/or community organizations that qualify you for this committee:

Please answer the following questions:

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| 1. | Are you an employee of the Ventura Unified School District?
<i>(Note: employees of the District are prohibited by law from being members of the Committee)</i> | YES | NO |
| 2. | Are you a vender, contractor or consultant to the Ventura Unified School District?
<i>(Note: vendors, contractors and consultants to the District are prohibited by law from serving on the Committee)</i> | YES | NO |
| 3. | Are you able to regularly attend meetings and complete a two-year term as a member of the Committee and refrain from becoming an employee, vendor, contractor or consultant to the District? | YES | NO |
| 4. | Will you, to the best of your knowledge, be able to maintain qualification in the membership category previously checked? | YES | NO |

This completed application must be received no later than 4:00 PM on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 to:

Ventura Unified School District
Attn: Vanessa Cordero
255 W. Stanley Ave.
Ventura, CA 93001

OR

Vanessa.Cordero@venturausd.org

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Trustee Area: _____

Application Date/Time Submission: _____