

ALAMEDA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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BOARD AGENDA ITEM

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Meeting Date: August 24, 2010

Item Title: Timeline for Master Plan Scenario B Implementation and Community Engagement Phase I/II

Item Type: Information

BACKGROUND: On June 29th, 2010, the Alameda Board of Education passed Resolution 10-0083 to implement Plan B.

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This presentation provides the Board with the timeline for community engagement to provide stakeholders with detailed analysis of instructional program options, facilities and fiscal impact.

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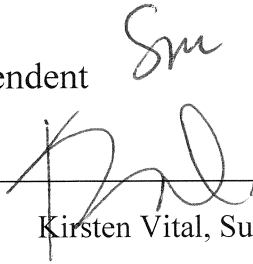
FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION: Accept as presented

AUSD Guiding Principles: 1. All students have the ability to achieve academic and personal success. 3. Administrators have the knowledge, leadership skills, and ability to ensure student success. 5. Accountability, transparency, and trust are necessary at all levels of the organization. 6. Allocation of funds will support our vision, mission, and guiding principles

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Approved for Submission to Board of Education


Kirsten Vital, Superintendent

Board of Education
Timeline for Decision-Making and
Community Engagement:

Closure/Consolidation of Schools

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Overview: Plan B

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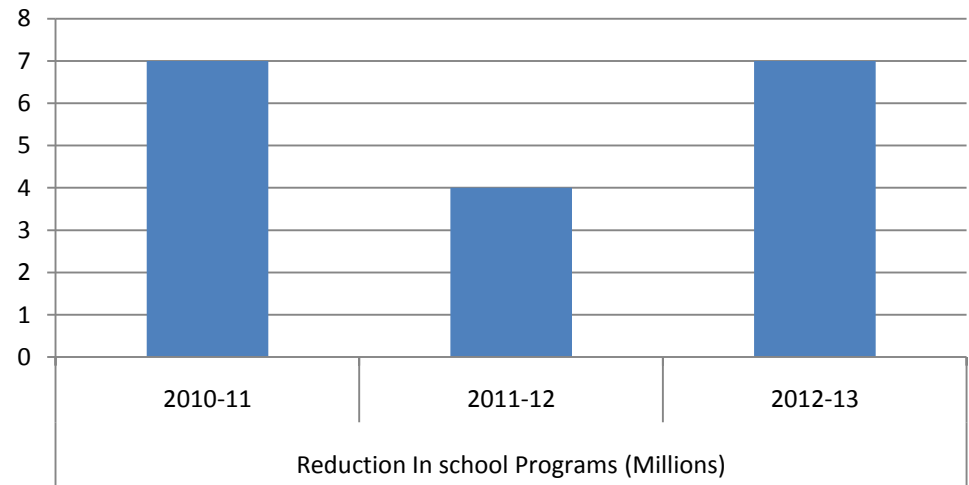
Board Resolution: Plan B (continued)

- Due to unprecedented recent state budget cuts, ongoing state economic uncertainties and the failure of the Measure E parcel tax, Plan B demands AUSD close and/or consolidate schools in Alameda.
- The resolution states these factors must be considered:
 1. Quality of instructional program
 2. Facility needs and requirements
 3. Economic benefits
 4. Maintaining neighborhood schools where possible

AUSD's projected budget cuts

Summary of AUSD Budget Cuts*

- AUSD must make cuts to maintain a balanced budget
- AUSD is surviving on one-time monies:
 - Parcel taxes from Measure A and H will expire in 2012-2013.
 - Temporary categorical funding flexibility from the California Department of Education is set to end in 2012-2013.
- No parcel tax
- AUSD multi-year budget



(*no state budget at this time)

Closure and Consolidation of Schools

July /August: Planning

- Staff working group was convened to thoroughly review criteria.
- Meetings were set up to develop a timeline and process for making recommendations to the Board of Education.
 - An initial meeting to review the work was scheduled July 22.
 - Dates for planning and developing process to date included:
 - August 10 Review of Plan B and Resolution 10-0083
 - August 13 Follow-up with working group to define specific categories to be further analyzed
 - August 17 Definition and agreement upon next steps

SEPTEMBER 2010 - Proposed

September 14: Board of Education to review Phase I /II options for school closure/consolidation

Community engagement

- Community Meeting: Mid September at Wood Middle School
- Additional meetings to be scheduled with AUSD PTA Council, PTA's, bargaining unit leadership, School Site Councils, and community organizations (AEF, Alameda Family Services, Alameda Multicultural Center, et cetera)
 - Presentation of Phase I / II closure/consolidation options
 - Data provided to community for stakeholder review
 - Data will include detailed analysis of instructional program options, facilities, and fiscal impact.

OCTOBER 2010 - Proposed

October 12: Board of Education review facility analyses for school closure/consolidation scenarios

October 26: Board to review list of “tiered” AUSD budget reductions

Community engagement

- Community Meeting Mid October at
Lincoln Middle School
- Additional meetings at sites and community organizations
- **Detailed data on recommendations provided for consideration**
- **Full AUSD working group meeting to review all data collected**
 - Final analysis for recommendation for implementation of closure/consolidation of schools in Phase I / II approach

NOVEMBER 2010 - Proposed

Recommendation for closure/consolidation of schools

- Complete report with all supporting documents
- Recommendations for school closures/consolidations
- Presentation of potential grade configuration changes
- **November 12th, the Board of Education will review possible option of parcel tax ballot for information**
 - After community meeting and public hearings for input in September and October
- **November 23rd, the Board of Education will receive the final recommendations from staff on Phase I / II options for information**
- **November 23rd, Board of Education will be asked to vote on ballot measure for March.**

DECEMBER 2010

The Board will vote on December 14th and decide upon final Phase I / II options for closure/consolidation of schools for 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years.

The Board of Education will also be voting on and approving the First Interim Budget Report with tiered budget reductions.