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Compton Community College District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Members Appointed and Measure CC Bond Fund Financial/Performance Audits Approved

At its January 24, 2017 meeting, the Compton Community College District (CCCD) Board of Trustees appointed six community members to serve on the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, and approved the financial and performance audits report for the 2015-16 Measure CC Bond Fund.

The CCCD Measure CC General Obligation Bond Fund financial and performance audits were completed by independent external auditing firm Vicenti, Lloyd, and Stutzman LLP. In accordance with Proposition 39, below is a summary of the results from the Measure CC Bond Fund financial audit:

- As of June 30, 2016, the CCCD had an available fund balance of \$19.5 million and for the 2015-16 fiscal year had total revenues of \$145,000.
- During the 2015-16 fiscal year, the CCCD had a total of \$11 million in expenditures.
- No deficiencies in internal controls over financial reporting were identified in the Measure CC Bond financial audit report.
- No instances of noncompliance were identified under Government Audit Standards in the Measure CC Bond financial audit report.

The Measure CC Bond Fund Financial and Performance Audits Report is available online at: district.compton.edu/measure\_cc\_bond/audits/index.asp

# **Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee**

The newly appointed Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee members are Elizabeth Atkinson, Martha C. Brown, Joy Masha, Irene Shandell-Taylor, Delores Zurita, and student representative Joshua Jackson. Both Brown and Shandell-Taylor have been appointed for a second term on the committee. They join Marjorie Shipp, community-at-large representative, who is currently serving her second term on the committee.

As outlined in the Education Code Section 15278, the role of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee is to "inform the public concerning the District's expenditure of revenues received from the sale of bonds authorized by the voters." Members are appointed for either a one- or two-year term, with a two-term maximum, and they do not receive any compensation or benefits for their service.

#### Elizabeth Atkinson, Community Representative

Atkinson is a social worker for in-home supportive services at the Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services, where she has worked since 1989. The Compton resident is involved in many civic organizations, including serving on the City of Compton Planning Commission, City of Compton Commission for Women, Compton High School Alumni Association, California Democratic Party Los Angeles Central Committee; Service Employees International Union Local 721 Steward; and Service Employees International Union Local 721 Committee on Political Education. She received an associate degree in psychology from the former Compton Community College and a bachelor's degree in psychology from California State University, Dominguez Hills.

### Martha Brown, Community Representative

Brown, a board member and treasurer of the National Black Music Caucus, is a retired music specialist who worked for the Los Angeles and Long Beach Unified School Districts. Brown, a resident of Carson, served as a supervisor of student teachers in music education at California State University, Long Beach. She earned a bachelor's degree in music education from the Chicago Musical College division at Roosevelt University; a master's degree in music from Western Michigan University; a master's degree in music therapy from the University of Kansas; and a doctorate of musical arts from the University of Southern California.

#### Joshua Jackson, Student Representative

Jackson is a resident of Carson and graduated in 2014 from Rancho Dominguez Preparatory School in Long Beach. In 2015, he enrolled at El Camino College Compton Center. In spring 2016, his peers elected him president of the Associated Student Body for the 2016-17 academic year. He is also a student worker for the First Year Experience program. Jackson plans to graduate with an associate degree in spring 2017 and transfer to a University of California school to major in political science.

## Joy Masha, Community Representative

Joy Masha is a resident of Paramount and is currently employed by the California State Senate. She served on the California State University Dominguez Hills Student Fee Advisory Committee 2009-2010. Ms. Masha is the Executive Director of Read Lead, a non-profit, education initiative in Los Angeles, and also serves on the Board of Trustees for Holy Trinity A.M.E. Church. Ms. Masha has earned a B.A. Degree in Human Services, and an M.S. Degree in Higher Education. Ms. Masha served on the Compton District's Special Trustee's Advisory Committee from March 2014 through December 2016.

#### **Irene Shandell-Taylor, Community Representative**

Shandell-Taylor is a resident of Compton who retired from the Internal Revenue Service where she supervised revenue officers. Her responsibilities involved administering, supervising, and performing work related to collecting delinquent taxes, surveying for unreported taxes, and securing delinquent returns. She is currently a Court Appointed Special Advocate for foster children (CASA of Los Angeles). The City of Compton's mayor appointed Shandell-Taylor commissioner assigned to the city's Oversight Committee. She received an associate degree from Los Angeles Southwest College and a bachelor's degree in general education from California State University, Dominguez Hills, with a minor in public administration.

#### **Delores Zurita, Senior Citizens Organization Representative**

Delores Zurita, former Compton Councilwoman, has been a resident of Compton since 1949. Ms. Zurita was educated in Compton, attended the former Compton Community College, and the University of LaVerne. She served as Compton's First District City Council representative for eight years (beginning in 1995), and was the first Councilperson from Compton to serve on a State Board. Ms. Zurita began her career in community service as the Charter PTA President at Clarence A. Dickinson Elementary School, and co-founded Dickinson Community Lighted Schools in 1968.

More information may be found at the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee page on the District website: www.district.compton.edu.

### **About the Compton Community College District**

CCCD Board of Trustees meetings are usually held the third Tuesday of each month and are open to the public. The District is located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA 90221.