

MEASURE A INDEPENDENT TAXPAYERS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

August 5, 2010
Item # 3

Subject: Administrative Matters

- **Select Committee Chair**
- **Set Staggered Terms of “Voting” Members**

Recommendation

1. Determine which one of the “voting” committee members will serve as committee chair and vice-chair for the next two years.
2. Determine which of the “voting” committee members will serve an initial shortened term of two years.

Discussion

The Functional Guidelines for the Measure A Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee (ITOC) requires that a committee Chair and Vice-Chair be selected at the first regular ITOC meeting following the beginning of the STA’s fiscal year. The Chair and Vice-Chair are to serve two-year terms, and they must be selected from the “voting” public members. The Chair runs the ITOC meetings, coordinates with staff on meeting agendas, and serves as the primary spokesperson before the Governing Board and public. The Vice-Chair assumes the Chair’s functions when the Chair is unavailable.

At today’s meeting, “voting” members will nominate and select the ITOC officers during open discussion. If consensus on this matter cannot be reached, staff will prepare a protocol whereby the Chair and Vice-Chair will be selected by random chance.

The ITOC Functional Guidelines also provide for “voting” ITOC members to serve four-year terms, with the exception that the STA Governing Board may stagger initial terms of 2 or 4 years to preclude complete turnover of committee members at any one time. The Board has directed that the ITOC proceed with staggered terms. Staff proposes that the ITOC appoint the member selected as committee Chair to a shortened two-year term, and that the Vice-Chair and remaining “voting” member serve four-year terms. Committee members may propose and review alternative staggering concepts before making a final determination on this matter. Please note that “voting” members serving either a 2-year or 4-year initial term may apply to serve a subsequent term of four years.

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