Meeting: Jun 23, 2021 - El Monte Union High School District Board of Trustees Special Meeting

Category: F. Regular Agenda

Subject: 14. Consider Approval of Resolution No. 44-20/21 for Use of Education Protection Account Funds in School Year 2021-22

Type: Action

Fiscal Impact: Yes

Dollar Amount: 18,885,744.00

Budgeted: Yes

Budget Source: General Fund (01.0)

Recommended Action: District Administration recommends approval for the Use of Education Protection Account funds for certificated teacher salaries and benefits in 2021-22.

Goals

Education Protection Account (EPA) funds became available with the passage of Proposition 30 in November 2012 and revenues were set to expire in 2018. Passage of Proposition 55 in November of 2016 extended EPA funding through December 31, 2030. As a consequence, Local Education Agencies (LEAs) are required to continue making spending determinations for EPA funds at a Governing Board meeting and subsequently must report on their websites an accounting of how much funding has been received and expended. For the period beginning 2013-2014 and through 2029-2030, while the EPA is in effect, the Governing Board should discuss the use of funds and consider that:

- A spending plan must be approved by the governing board at an open public meeting.
- EPA funds cannot be used for administrative salaries or administrative costs.
- Proposition 30 requires all districts to report on their websites an accounting of how much money was received from the EPA and how that money was spent.
- 2021 - 22 EPA funding for certificated teacher salaries and benefits is projected at $18,885,744

Contact Person:
- Wael Elatar, Chief Business Official
- David Norton, Director of Fiscal Services

Resolution No. 44-20_21 Education Protection Account.pdf (999 KB)

Motion & Voting

District Administration recommends approval for the Use of Education Protection Account funds for certificated teacher salaries and benefits in 2021-22.

Motion by Ricardo Padilla, second by David Diaz.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Ricardo Padilla, David Diaz, Florencio F Briones, Carlos G Salcedo
WHEREAS, the voters approved Proposition 30 on November 6, 2012 and approved Proposition 55 on November 7, 2016 continuing the original requirement;

WHEREAS, Proposition 30 added Article XIII, Section 36 to the California Constitution effective November 7, 2012; and Proposition 55 extended the term of the original requirement through December 31, 2030.

WHEREAS, the provisions of Article XIII, Section 36(e) create in the state General Fund an Education Protection Account to receive and disburse the revenues derived from the incremental increases in taxes imposed by Article XIII, Section 36(f);

WHEREAS, before June 30th of each year, the Director of Finance shall estimate the total amount of additional revenues, less refunds that will be derived from the incremental increases in tax rates made pursuant to Article XIII, Section 36(f) that will be available for transfer into the Education Protection Account during the next fiscal year;

WHEREAS, if the sum determined by the State Controller is positive, the State Controller shall transfer the amount calculated into the Education Protection Account within ten days preceding the end of the fiscal year;

WHEREAS, all monies in the Education Protection Account are hereby continuously appropriated for the support of school districts, county offices of education, charter schools and community college districts;

WHEREAS, monies deposited in the Education Protection Account shall not be used to pay any costs incurred by the Legislature, the Governor or any agency of state government;

WHEREAS, a community college district, county office of education, school district, or charter school shall have the sole authority to determine how the monies received from the Education Protection Account are spent in the school or schools within its jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, the governing board of the district shall make the spending determinations with respect to monies received from the Education Protection Account in open session of a public meeting of the governing board;

WHEREAS, the monies received from the Education Protection Account shall not be used for salaries or benefits for administrators or any other administrative cost;
WHEREAS, each community college district, county office of education, school district and charter school shall annually publish on its Internet website an accounting of how much money was received from the Education Protection Account and how that money was spent;

WHEREAS, the annual independent financial and compliance audit required of community college districts, county offices of education, school districts and charter schools shall ascertain and verify whether the funds provided from the Education Protection Account have been properly disbursed and expended as required by Article XIII, Section 36 of the California Constitution;

WHEREAS, expenses incurred by community college districts, county offices of education, school districts and charter schools to comply with the additional audit requirements of Article XIII, Section 36 may be paid with funding from the Education Protection Act and shall not be considered administrative costs for purposes of Article XIII, Section 36.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. The monies received from the Education Protection Account shall be spent as required by Article XIII, Section 36 and the spending determinations on how the money will be spent shall be made in open session of a public meeting of the governing board of El Monte Union High School District

2. In compliance with Article XIII, Section 36(e), with the California Constitution, the Governing Board of the El Monte Union High School District has determined to spend the monies received from the Education Protection Act.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of June, 2021 by the Board of Trustees of the EL MONTE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT of Los Angeles, California by the following vote:

The foregoing Resolution and Order was adopted and affirmed by the Governing Board of El Monte Union High School District of Los Angeles County, being the Board authorized by law to make the designations contained therein, by formal vote as follows:

    Ayes:    Nays:    Absent:    

I, ________________________________, Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the EL MONTE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, State of California, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Said Board at a regular meeting held on June 23, 2021.

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David Diaz
Clerk of the Governing Board