

August 11, 2025 Budget Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Members attended: Marie Brown, Erin Kravitz, Diana Engel-Holmes, Whitney Thwaite, Latha Ramanan, Gautam Nadella

Staff attended: Mei Chan - CBO, Erik Burmeister- Superintendent

Absent: Dan Levin, Jason Morimoto

Meeting was called to order at 2:05pm

May 12 and June 9 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

The committee discussed a recap of the last meeting.

Erik went over the Balanced Budget Initiative. The goal is to address ongoing deficit spending.

The committee also revisited how the BAC could look like going forward. It could be split into 2 groups to have better space for different needs. The 2 groups are:

1. Finance & Audit
 - Subject to Brown Act
 - Includes 2 board members
 - Meet during the day, 4 times per year before each finance reporting
 - Oversight of fiduciary policies and practices
 - Selection of audit firm
2. Budget Advisory
 - Not subject to Brown Act
 - Includes 2 board members
 - Union representatives
 - Parent representatives
 - A forum for the Superintendent to receive comments and suggestions

Erik is tasked to mock up the idea with examples for discussion at the next meeting. Once agreed, it will be brought to the Board for approval.

The next meeting will be scheduled for the week of 8/25/2025. Marie will send out an email on preferences from the group.

Meeting adjourned at 3:42PM