

EFFECTIVE: 11/4/2019

## **SUBJECT:** Financial Reports and Accountability **CATEGORY:** Business and Noninstructional Operations **RESPONSIBLE OFFICE(S):** Business Services, Accounting Department

#### SCOPE:

The purpose of this administrative regulation is to provide guidelines related to the District's financial reporting and accountability.

## **PROCEDURES AND GENERAL INFORMATION:**

#### **Interim Reports**

Each interim fiscal report developed pursuant to Education Code 42130 shall include an assessment of the district budget as revised to reflect current information regarding the adopted state budget, district property tax revenues, if any, and ending balances for the preceding fiscal year.

The interim reports shall be based on State Board of Education (SBE) criteria and standards which address fund and cash balances, reserves, deficit spending, estimation of average daily attendance (ADA), projected enrollment, ratio of ADA to enrollment, projected local control funding formula (LCFF) revenue, salaries and benefits, other revenues and expenditures, and facilities maintenance. For purposes of assessing projections of LCFF revenue, the first interim report shall be compared to the adopted district budget, and the second interim report shall be compared to the projections in the first interim report.

The report shall also provide supplemental information regarding contingent liabilities, use of one-time revenues for ongoing expenditures, contingent revenues, contributions (i.e., projected contributions from unrestricted general fund resources to restricted general fund resources, projected transfers to or from the general fund to cover operating deficits in the general fund or any other fund, and capital project cost overruns that may impact the general fund budget), long-term commitments, unfunded liabilities, temporary interfund borrowings, the status of labor agreements, and the status of other funds.

#### Audit Report

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a timetable for the completion and review of the annual audit within the deadlines established by law.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide the necessary financial records and cooperate with the auditor selected by the Governing Board to ensure that the audit report contains all information required by law and the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

The audit shall include an audit of income and expenditures by source of funds for all funds of the district, including the student body and cafeteria funds and accounts, state and federal grant funds, and any other funds under the control or jurisdiction of the district, as well as an audit of student attendance procedures. The audit shall also include a determination of whether LCFF funds were expended in accordance with the district's local control and accountability plan or an approved annual update of the plan.



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If an audit finding results in the district being required to repay an apportionment or pay a penalty, the district may appeal the finding to the Education Audit Appeals Panel by making an informal summary appeal within 30 days of receiving the final audit report or initiating a formal appeal within 60 days of receiving the report.

While a public accounting firm is performing the audit of the district, it shall not provide any nonauditing, management, or other consulting services for the district except as provided in Government Auditing Standards, Amendment #3, published by the U.S. Government Accountability Office.

## **Report on Expenditures of State Facilities Funds**

When the district participates in the school facilities program pursuant to Education Code 17070.10-17079.30, the Superintendent or designee shall annually report a detailed list of all expenditures of state facilities funds, including interest, and of the district's matching funds for completed projects until all such funds are expended. The report shall identify expenditures on a project-by-project basis, reflect completed projects that were reimbursed within that fiscal year, and clearly indicate the list of projects that have been completed.

Audits of facilities projects shall be concluded within one year of project completion, and shall be included as part of the district's audit for the fiscal year in which the project is reported as completed. A project shall be deemed completed when any of the following conditions is met:

- 1. When the notice of completion for the project has been filed, all outstanding invoices, claims, and change orders have been satisfied, and the facility is currently in use by the district
- 2. Three years from the date of the final fund release for an elementary school project
- 3. Four years from the date of the final fund release for a middle or high school project

## Fund Balance

In accordance with GASB Statement 54, external financial reports shall report fund balances in the general fund within the following classifications based on the relative strength of constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

- 1. Nonspendable fund balance, including amounts that are not expected to be converted to cash, such as resources that are not in a spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact
- 2. Restricted fund balance, including amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers or by law
- 3. Committed fund balance, including amounts constrained to specific purposes by the Board
- 4. Assigned fund balance, including amounts which the Board or its designee intends to use for a specific purpose
- 5. Unassigned fund balance, including amounts that are available for any purpose



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#### **Negative Balance Report**

Whenever the district reports a negative unrestricted fund balance or a negative cash balance in its annual budget or annual audit report, it shall include in the budget a statement that identifies the reasons for the negative unrestricted fund balance or negative cash balance and the steps that have been taken to ensure that the negative balance will not occur at the end of the current fiscal year.

#### Non-Voter-Approved Debt Report

Upon approval by the Board to proceed with the issuance of revenue bonds or any agreement for financing school construction pursuant to Education Code 17170-17199.5, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the County Superintendent of Schools and the county auditor. The Superintendent or designee shall provide the Board, the county auditor, the County Superintendent of Schools and the public with related repayment schedules and evidence of the District's ability to repay the obligation.

When the Board is considering the issuance of certificates of participation and other debt instruments that are secured by real property and do not require the approval of the voters of the district, the Superintendent or designee shall provide notice to the County Superintendent and county auditor no later than 30 days before the Board's approval to proceed with issuance. The Superintendent or designee shall provide the Board, the county auditor, the County Superintendent, and the public with information necessary to assess the anticipated effect of the debt issuance, including related repayment schedules, evidence of the district's ability to repay the obligation, and the issuance costs.

## **Other Postemployment Benefits Report**

In accordance with GASB Statement 75, the district's financial statements shall report the expense of nonpension other postemployment benefits (OPEBs) on an accrual basis over retirees' active working lifetime, as determined by a qualified actuary procured by the Superintendent or designee. To the extent that these OPEBs are not prefunded, the district shall report a liability on its financial statements.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually present the estimated accrued but unfunded cost of OPEBs and the actuarial report upon which those costs are based at a public meeting of the Board.

The district's financial obligation for OPEBs shall be reevaluated every two years in accordance with GASB 75.

#### Workers' Compensation Claims Report

The Superintendent or designee shall annually provide the Board, at a public meeting, information and related actuarial reports showing the estimated accrued but unfunded cost of workers' compensation claims. The estimate of costs shall be based on an actuarial report completed at least every three years by a qualified actuary.



# Santa Ana Unified School District

# **ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION NO: 3460**

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## **IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES AND ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS:**

#### **District Policies and Procedures:**

Board Policy 3100 – Budget Board Policy 3220.1 - Lottery Funds Board Policy 3230 - Federal Grant Funds Board Policy 3300 – Expenditures and Purchases Board Policy 3314 - Payment for Goods and Services Board Policy 3430 – Investing Board Policy 3452 - Student Activity Funds Board Policy 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund Board Policy 4154/4254/4354 – Health and Welfare Benefits Board Policy 9250 - Remuneration, Reimbursement and Other Benefits Administrative Regulation 3100 – Budget Administrative Regulation 3300 – Expenditures and Purchases Administrative Regulation 3314 – Payment for Goods and Services Administrative Regulation 3451 – Petty Cash Funds Administrative Regulation 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund Administrative Regulation 4154/4254/4354 - Health and Welfare Benefits

## Legal Reference:

## **Education Code**

| 17150, 17150.1<br>41020, 41024 | Public Disclosure of Non-Voter-Approved Debt<br>Accounting Regulations, Budget Controls and Audits |
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| 41344, 41344.1                 | Disbursements by Superintendent of Public Instruction  |
| 42127.5                        | Budget Requirements  |
| 42130 - 42131                  | Financial Reports and Certifications   |
| 42140 - 42141                  | Public Disclosure of Fiscal Obligations  |
| 2 CCR 1859.104                 | Program Reporting Requirements   |
| 5 CCR 15453, 15464             | General and Supplemental Information   |

## ADOPTION AND REVISION HISTORY:

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