

MANHATTAN BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

REVISED Common Core State Standards Spending Plan For the 2013-14 and 2014-15 Fiscal Years

Background

The enacted State Budget for 2013-14 provided one-time funds to local educational agencies to support the activities required to implement the federal Common Core State Standards that California has adopted. These new standards were required to be in place for the 2014-15 academic year. This funding was provided specifically to support these activities:

- ☐ Professional Development for certificated and classified employees involved in the direct instruction of pupils using the Common Core State Standards
- ☐ Instructional materials and supplemental instructional materials aligned to the Common Core State Standards
- ☐ Technology equipment and infrastructure to provide technology-based instruction using Common Core State Standards and to implement computer-based student assessments

The funds must be spent by July 1, 2015. As a condition of receiving the funds, a spending plan for the funds must be presented at a public meeting of the governing board and then approved at a subsequent public meeting of the governing board. The Board approved a spending plan in on January 22, 2014. In ensuring that staff was adequately supported in the transition to the Common Core State Standards, it was necessary to revise the plan to provide for additional staff development beyond what was in the initial plan. The increased expenditures in this area were offset by actual revenue that was higher than initially estimated, by the selection of technology tools that cost less than initially estimated, and by the implementation of instructional strategies (as supported by the aforementioned staff development) that allowed for different approaches to the development of instructional materials. While the transition to the Common Core State Standards will require an ongoing investment in staff development and additional instructional materials, the use of the one-time funds provided by the state in this manner allowed the District to provide optimal support to meet teachers' and students' needs in the 2013-14 and 2014-15 school years.

Funding

The estimated amount of one-time funds to be received for this purpose was \$1,321,514. The actual allocation provided to MBUSD was \$1,372,977, representing an increase over initial estimates of \$51,463.

Uses

The Board approved plan indicated that funds would be allocated during 2013-14 and 2014-15 as follows, with the understanding that the amounts indicated could be re-distributed among the three categories as needed:

- ☐ **\$800,000:** Provide professional development for certificated and classified classroom staff on the new content standards and develop curriculum aligned to the new standards

- ❑ **\$271,514:** Adopt and purchase common core standards-aligned instructional materials for English language arts and mathematics
- ❑ **\$250,000:** Upgrade the technology infrastructure to provide robust Internet access and meet Smarter Balanced Technology Strategy Framework and system requirements specifications and/or purchase additional devices and software for technology-based instruction

Actual expenditures, as determined by the needs of the District, were as follows:

- ❑ **\$1,000,397:** Provide professional development for certificated and classified classroom staff on the new content standards and develop curriculum aligned to the new standards
- ❑ **\$190,070:** Adopt and purchase common core standards-aligned instructional materials for English language arts and mathematics
- ❑ **\$182,510:** Upgrade the technology infrastructure to provide robust Internet access and meet Smarter Balanced Technology Strategy Framework and system requirements specifications and/or purchase additional devices and software for technology-based instruction

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