

**FACILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY
CITIZENS SPLOST OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

ANNUAL REPORT 2016

The Facilities and Technology Citizens Oversight Committee (Committee) was established and authorized to specifically provide oversight for any Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) project by performing an analytical assessment and project verification to determine if expenditures are meeting defined specifications as approved by the voters within the SPLOST referendum and as authorized by the Board.

This 15-member committee, appointed by the Board and superintendent, must reside within the boundaries of the Cobb County School District (CCSD). To ensure accountability the Committee members must perform analytical and logistical reviews of all proposed facility and technology expenditures by visiting schools to verify that proposed SPLOST projects are true needs and are included in the SPLOST notebook. Each Board Agenda Item is then reviewed for accuracy ensuring that money is being spent wisely and efficiently. The Committee provides advice and makes recommendations related to items presented at its meetings by the CCSD Administration.

At each meeting the monthly reports, including the SPLOST IV Sales Tax Revenues comparing projected versus actual revenues, the Milestone Report which provides a snapshot of each project's current status, the Consolidated Management Report which tracks expenditures in great detail, and Current Solicitations covering Construction Solicitations, Non-Construction Invitations for Bids, Non-Construction Requests for Proposals, and Non-Construction Requests for Quotes, were reviewed and discussed.

With all this information in hand the Committee prepares an Annual Report to address SPLOST expenditures as they relate to the Notebooks approved by the voters. The Annual Report has summarized the SPLOST III and IV expenditures in the following areas: 1) New/Replacement Facilities, 2) Land, 3) Additions and Modifications, 4) Infrastructure/Individual School Needs (Maintenance/Renovations), 5) Safety and Support, 6) Curriculum/Instruction/Technology and 7) Tax Agency Issues.

Modification of the choral and music classrooms at Mabry Middle School was the last remaining project in SPLOST III and was completed in 2016.

The goals in SPLOST IV are to: rebuild Brumby ES, Mountain View ES, East Cobb MS, Osborne HS, Walton HS and construct a Career Academy; provide additions/modifications at Campbell HS, Harrison HS, Kincaid ES, Lassiter HS, Mount Bethel ES, North Cobb HS, Pope HS, Sope Creek ES, South Cobb HS, Tapp MS, Teasley ES, Tritt ES, and Wheeler HS.

**SPLOST III and SPLOST IV RELATED BOARD AGENDA ITEMS
JANUARY THRU DECEMBER 2016**

The Committee reviewed and acted on 1 SPLOST III and 28 SPLOST IV Agenda items in 2016. Recommendations from the F&T committee were provided to the Board for their consideration and formal action.

Breakdown of Proposed Expenditures

SPLOST III

Addition/Modifications

\$1,990,400 - Mabry Middle School

SPLOST IV

Architectural and Engineering Services

\$1,415,982 - Osborne High School Replacement School

\$982,800 - College and Career Academy

\$344,064 - South Cobb High School - theater addition

\$1,500,00 - Harmony Leland Elementary School/Clay Elementary School Replacement Facilities

New/Replacement Facilities

\$51,450.528 - Brumby Elementary School and East Cobb Middle School

\$23,361,000 - Mountain View Elementary School

Addition/Renovations

\$23,869,386 - Pope High School - theater addition, replace main gym, tennis court resurfacing, track resurfacing, install emergency lighting at bleachers for football, baseball, and softball, upgrade electrical in football, baseball, and softball concession stands, new flooring throughout building, athletic restroom improvements, concession stand improvements and stadium Improvements.

\$10,148,000 - Campbell High School – new main gym

Renovations

\$4,432,000 - Campbell Middle School - replace all HVAC wall hung units/RTU's and add controls, new water heaters in gym, replace and upgrade all electrical switch gear, replace all old electrical panels, install new electrical panels in each hallway for

additional power, replace gym lights with high bay fluorescent fixtures, replace basketball goal supports, motors and cables.

\$1,370,500 - Griffin Middle School - tile in classrooms, install CPA Sport Court, refinish gym floor, carpet throughout old building, paint interior halls, classrooms and offices, replace gym lights with high bay fluorescent fixtures, replace basketball goal supports, motors and cables, Gym 1- paint, graphics and ceiling tiles

\$2,488,000 - Pebblebrook High School - replace theater lighting and sound system, install lighting and sound controls connections outside of control booth at the back wall behind seating, Morgan Gym - increase number of bathroom stalls in all locker rooms, upgrade shower room and replace fixtures, replace and upgrade windows, Athletic restroom improvements, concession Improvements, stadium improvements.

\$1,572,000 - Frey Elementary School – new roof

\$3,195,000 - Hayes Elementary School - replace all HVAC, controls, cooling tower, valves, boiler, heat exchanger and pumps.

\$284,000 - Baker Elementary School, Birney Elementary School, and Dowell Elementary School - painting

\$795,560 - Campbell High School, Osborne High School and South Cobb High School for track resurfacing

\$606,850 - Hillgrove High School and Kennesaw Mountain High School for track resurfacing

\$840,210 - Kell High School, Lassiter High School and Sprayberry High School for track resurfacing

\$325,900 - Allatoona High School, Kell High School and Sprayberry High School for tennis court resurfacing

\$428,300 - Campbell High School, Hillgrove High School, Osborne High School and South Cobb High School for tennis court resurfacing

\$585,490 - Nicholson Elementary School, Rocky Mount Elementary School and Harrison High School for cooler/freezer replacement

Learning Resources

\$5,185,288 - K-2 English Language Arts

\$3,000,000 - K-12 World Language and Dual Languages Immersion

Easements

\$24,482.07 - Brumby Elementary School and East Cobb Middle School – permanent sanitary sewer easement and temporary construction easement

Safety/Security

\$113,799 - Pickett's Mill Elementary School roadway improvements

\$200,000 - Pope High School roadway improvements

Vehicles

\$11,105,032 – 125 school buses

SPLOST III PROJECT COMPLETED DURING 2016

Renovations

Mabry Middle School - Modification of orchestra and choral classrooms, instrument lockers for orchestra classroom and chalkboards replaced with magnetic marker boards

35 SPLOST IV PROJECTS COMPLETED DURING 2016

Architectural and Engineering Services

Osborne High School

College and Career Academy

South Cobb High School

Harmony Leland Elementary School School/Clay Elementary School

Replacement Facilities

Maintenance/Renovations

Allatoona High School – tennis court resurfacing

Campbell High School – track resurfacing and tennis court resurfacing

Harrison High School – cooler/freezer replacement

Hillgrove High School – track resurfacing and tennis court resurfacing

Kell High School – track resurfacing and tennis court resurfacing

Kennesaw Mountain High School – track resurfacing

Lassiter High School – track resurfacing

Osborne High School – track resurfacing and tennis court resurfacing

Pebblebrook High School – gym and theater renovation

South Cobb High School – track resurfacing and tennis court resurfacing

Sprayberry High School – track resurfacing and tennis court resurfacing

Campbell Middle School - HVAC Replacement
Baker Elementary School – painting
Birney Elementary School – painting
Dowell Elementary School - painting
Frey Elementary School - roof replacement
Hayes Elementary School - roof replacement
Nicholson Elementary School – cooler/freezer replacement
Rocky Mount Elementary School – cooler/freezer replacement

Easements

Brumby Elementary School Replacement
East Cobb Middle School Replacement

Safety/Support

Pickett's Mill Elementary School and Pope High School road improvements
Pitts Transportation additional bays installation

Vehicles

125 Buses

Ongoing SPLOST IV Projects

New/Replacement Facilities

Walton High School Rebuild
Mountain View Elementary School
Brumby Elementary School
East Cobb Middle School

Curriculum / Instruction / Technology*

Replacements

Obsolete computing devices for District
Obsolete computing devices for teachers
Virtual Library - barcode scanners
Musical instruments and equipment
General/choral musical instruments and equipment
District Servers
Data Center Equipment

Enhancement/Replacement

District Phone System
Obsolete Print/Copy/Duplicate Solution

Obsolete Audio Visual equipment in classrooms
Obsolete interactive classroom devices
Update library automation systems - replace servers for Destiny and Cobb
Student Information Systems
Human Resources/Payroll Systems Equipment
Financial Systems Equipment
District Network Enhancement/Maintenance
Data Center Disaster Recover/Business Continuity
Learning Management System

Classroom Equipment

Equipment and software purchase for students who are deaf or hard of hearing, students with visual impairment, and students with other disabilities
Handheld graphing calculating device for Middle Schools

*All district-wide accounts that remain open will continue until all funds budgeted are expended.

Safety / Support*

Radio Broadcast System
Bus Shop Upgrades
Buses, Vehicles, Equipment
Furniture/Equipment Replacement
Access Controls
Security Fencing/Signage/Traffic Control
Surveillance Cameras
Food Services Upgrades
Incident Expenses/Capital Projects
Modifications/Renovations/Facility Upgrades
Textbooks/Instructional Materials
Program Administrative Costs
Communications Radios

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SPLOST IV Revenue as of December 31, 2016 was \$369,607,757. A breakdown of the revenue collected, expended and, uncommitted is provided below.

Category	Budget	Committed	Available
NEW FACILITIES	\$204,946,548	\$133,278,672	\$71,667,876
LAND	\$10,000,000	\$9,999,980	\$20
ADDITIONS	\$157,657,587	\$91,732,893	\$65,924,694
INFRASTRUCTURE	\$110,570,455	\$43,266,263	\$67,304,192
SAFETY/SUPPORT	\$97,545,928	\$51,749,490	\$45,796,438
TECHNOLOGY	\$125,120,835	\$97,086,870	\$28,033,965
PROGRAM MGMT	\$8,469,956	\$4,566,045	\$3,903,911
CONTINGENCY	\$3,533,398		\$3,533,398
TOTALS	\$717,844,707	\$431,680,212	\$286,164,495

* Source: Consolidated Management Report as of 01/03/2017

TAX AGENCY ISSUES

As of December 2016 Sales Tax Revenues are running below projections. As noted in the chart below the actual revenue collections have been consistently under projections ranging from -1.6% to -15.3%.

Account	Budget	Received
SPLOST IV Revenue	\$692,599,358	\$369,607,757
SPLOST IV Interest Income	\$458,598	\$519,668
State Capital Outlay	\$24,786,751	\$22,002,606
Totals	\$717,844,707	\$392,130,031

* Source: Consolidated Management Report as of 01/03/2017

Conclusions

The F&T Committee reviewed and acted upon 29 Board agenda items regardless of whether the bids were over or under the initial cost estimate. For those items that were significantly over or under the initial cost estimate, staff provided details outlining the reason or reasons for the variance.

The monthly reports, as presented, contained detailed and well-organized information that assisted the Committee in performing our due diligence and provided the transparency that is so critical in a SPLOST program with such a wide variety of projects and tasks.

As SPLOST III comes to a close and SPLOST IV continues, it is the F&T Committee's belief that the revenues have been expended in accordance with the Resolution that was approved by the voters and authorized by the Board. We appreciate the opportunity to serve our community by providing citizen oversight for this large and very important program for our schools.

Acknowledgements

The F&T Committee extends its gratitude to Scott Sweeney for his assistance as the Board Liaison in 2016, providing his insight and serving as the Committee's connection to the other Board Members. John Adams and Nick Parker always provided pertinent details on the Board Agenda items and also on other topics that the Committee discussed during the meetings. They each provided a wealth of knowledge that assisted the committee in our deliberations.

Respectfully submitted,

Facilities and Technology Committee Appointees

Post 1 – Randy Scamihorn – Jay Cunningham, Jimmy Durham-Resigned

Post 2 – Susan Thayer – Curtis Johnston, Susan Pearson

Post 3 – David Morgan – David Berny, Patrick Stafford

Post 4 – David Chastain – Wayne Brown, Thea Powell-Chair

Post 5 – David Banks – Don Hill, Dr. John Crooks-Vice Chair

Post 6 – Scott Sweeney – Roger Phelps, Karen Hallacy

Post 7 – Brad Wheeler – John Stooksbury, Larry Darnell-Secretary

Superintendent – Chris Ragsdale - Chuck Casto