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Mission Statement

To promote school district accountability by improving the training and resources available to California's Proposition 39 School Bond Oversight Committees and educating the state legislature, local school boards and the public about the oversight and reporting powers these Citizens' Bond Oversight Committees (CBOCs) have, and to advocate on a state level, where appropriate, on issues of common concern to all CBOCs.

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CaLBOC: CBOC Operation Guidelines

This 18 page document provides a basis for the BOC to perform a self-assessment of their operations and identify training needs. Could be used as an outline for developing a training program for committee members.

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Update: AB-2116 - School Bond Debt Passed Through the Education Committee

Gallagher bill AB 2116 passed unanimously through the Education Committee on April 6, 2016. Gallagher says AB 2116 improves school bond oversight accountability and fiscal responsibility by certifying that a tax base can support a bond and requiring the governing board of a school district to take into consideration the county assessor's projections for property valuations. H is Assembly bill is built on research and recommendations in a July 2015 [California Policy Center study](#) .

AB-2116 School bonds: citizens' oversight committees: school bond waste prevention actions.(2015-2016)
leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2116

**CaLBOC Statewide Conference
 Tuesday May 31, 2016
 Getting It Right... Successful Bond Programs**

The California Chamber of Commerce, Sacramento

Tentative Agenda

- 10:00-10:15** Welcome - Michael Turnipseed, CaLBOC President
- 10:15-11:00** Task Force on Bond Accountability: Task Force Report. Co-Chair Fred Keeley
- 11:00-11:45** 20 Years of Successful Citizen Oversight
Tim Towers, Santa Clara Unified
- 11:45-12:15** Lunch - Plates Catering
- 12:15-1:00** Invited Keynote Speaker:
John Chiang, State Treasurer
- 1:00-1:15** Presentation of Anton Jungherr Award
- 1:15-2:00** A Successful Construction Project Story
Larry Adams, Santa Clara Unified
- 2:00-2:45** Construction Performance Audits:
How to Achieve Your Construction Program Goals
Curtis Mathews, Moss Adams.
- 2:45-3:00** Closing - Michael Turnipseed, CaLBOC President

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Several Years and \$1 Billion Later, San Diego Schools Are Actually in Worse Shape

March 2, 2016 | By Ashly McGlone | www.voiceofsandiego.org

After a tax hike, two ballot propositions and \$1 billion in spending, San Diego's city schools are in worse condition today than they were eight years ago, according to new data.

... The [report](#) shows the agency's Facility Condition Index is significantly worse than it was in 2012, when Proposition Z was passed. And even worse than it was in 2008, when voters approved Proposition S.

Proposition Z was a property tax hike officially called the San Diego Neighborhood Schools Classroom Safety and Repair Measure. It had a main objective of "repairing deteriorating 60-year-old classrooms, libraries, wiring, plumbing, bathrooms and leaky roofs," according to the ballot language voters saw.

Proposition S was an extension of a previous tax hike. Combined, they were worth \$4.9 billion.

Now, after the district has spent \$1 billion, buildings are in worse shape than they were in 2008.

The index, or FCI, is a standard industry measurement calculated by dividing the total cost of facility replacement, repair and renovation needs by the replacement value - determined by multiplying the district's total square footage by the current cost for new construction per square foot. The amount to totally repair San Diego Unified's buildings is \$1.25 billion. To replace them entirely comes in at \$5.5 billion, the latest figures estimate. ...

... San Diego Unified has spent large swaths of bond money on things like wireless Internet access and iPads, which, while valuable, do nothing to improve crumbling school buildings and leaky roofs. Nor do other projects prioritized early in the district's bond program, like [new stadiums](#), improve the FCI. ...

... On the upside, there is still \$3.9 billion left to be spent from Proposition S and Z. (A closer look at the next \$800 million in projects [can be seen here](#).) But decisions and project commitments early on have a huge impact and set the tone for the bond program, a lesson the district learned from Prop. MM. ...

... [Andy Berg](#), chair of San Diego Unified's independent citizen's bond oversight committee, did not respond to multiple requests for comment for this story. ...

To read the complete article please visit:
<http://www.voiceofsandiego.org/topics/education/several-years-and-1-billion-later-san-diego-schools-are-actually-in-worse-shape/>

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