TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: TIM CUNEO / JANECE L. MAEZ

RE: BUDGET UPDATE

DISCUSSION ITEM NO. D.02

As the District continues to receive information regarding the State budget, as it relates to the development of our budget, Staff will regularly update the Board. These updates will be scheduled at each regular meeting of the Board until the District budget is adopted in June. These updates may include the following: new statewide projections, proposed changes to the district budget, enrollment projections, staffing ratios, and other budget-related details.

As Ms. Maez explained during her presentation of the preliminary budget at the June 2 board meeting, she will be reviewing the budget reduction list for consideration. It is expected that the Board will be asked to approve and include this list of possible reductions with the budget adoption at June 30, 2011, board meeting.

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Public Comments:

• Harry Keiley and Kelly Pye addressed the board regarding this item.

Ms. Maez's handout can be found under attachments at the end of these minutes.

Ms. Leon-Vazquez expressed her concern about the development of the list of possible budget reductions that was presented. Mr. Mechur said a list of proposed reductions should be a community process. Ms. Maez commented that none of the proposed reductions could occur without an open process, a thorough study, and other necessary steps, such as negotiations with the unions. Mr. Cuneo indicated that the list of potential areas of reduction was not new and was considered during the 2010-11 budget discussions. Dr. Escarce wondered if the district could, instead of including the proposed reductions list, write a letter to LACOE explaining that the district has a list of reductions it will be examining beginning late summer/early fall.