P&O Chairs Statement to the Board September 30, 2015

Good evening. My name is Bruce Simon. Along with Danielle Perez, I am one of the co-chairs of the BSEP Planning and Oversight Committee

The BSEP Planning and Oversight Committee wishes to express its appreciation to the Board for setting aside time tonight to take a closer look at the role BSEP plays in our school district. We enthusiastically support increasing understanding of this critical resource among the Board and in the community, as BSEP currently contributes more than 20 percent of the district's annual operating budget and funds a third of the district's classroom teachers.

The P&O is committed to working with the board, superintendent, staff and community to develop a consensus on the structure and contents of the BSEP measure for 2016, to continue to ensure that all our students have access to a truly excellent education. Thank you!