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**TO: Members, Board of Education  
Dr. Al Roberts, Superintendent**

**FROM: Chris Jasculca**

**RE: Referendum Planning Outline**

**DATE: October 12, 2010**

Attached is a draft of a comprehensive planning outline that features key dates and activities that will occur between now and the election in April 2011 should the district decide to seek a referendum. The proposed dates and activities include, but are not limited to:

**October 2010**

- Hold study sessions regarding vision for the district and technical aspects of seeking a referendum (i.e., sizing, potential reductions, etc.)
- Solicit feedback from staff about the referendum, including input on the vision for the district if the referendum passes or does not pass (including recommended cost efficiencies/reductions)
- Create and administer a community survey about the referendum
- Board decides whether to seek a referendum and begins discussing the size of the referendum

**November 2010**

- Citizen's committee for the referendum is formed
- Board begins work on the referendum resolution
- Host a community forum about the referendum

**December 2010**

- Board discusses the impact of the referendum on the district, including the vision for the district if the referendum passes or does not pass; determines what cost efficiencies/reductions will be made if the referendum fails; and conducts an official first reading of referendum resolution recommendation

**January 2011**

- Board adopts the referendum resolution

**February 2011**

- Referendum submitted to the county

**March 2011**

- Board takes action on decisions regarding Reduction in Force (RIF)



## **April 2011**

- Election day
- Confirmed election results
- Reinstate positions subject to RIF (date may change if election results are confirmed prior to April 26)

The referendum planning outline is being presented to the board tonight for review and discussion. Following this meeting, it will be posted on the referendum pages on the district's Web site ([www.op97.org/referendum/](http://www.op97.org/referendum/)).

### Attachments:

- Referendum Planning Outline