

ITEM FOR ACTION**EXTEND BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER SELECTION PROCESS****SUMMARY**

The district's budget committee has three open positions in which members' terms have expired, in Zones 3, 5 and 6. The school board will appoint community representatives to the open seats to serve three-year terms on the committee. No applications were received during the application period. It is recommended that the application period be extended and re-communicated.

BACKGROUND

The BSD budget committee is composed of the seven school board members and seven appointed community members, one from each board electoral zone. Budget committee members serve three-year terms, staggered so that two or three committee members' terms expire each year.

The committee has three vacancies, in Zones 3, 5 and 6. The terms of the committee members in these seats – Diane McCartney, Christa Billings and Heidi Echeverría – expired June 30, 2024. Budget committee members may apply to be considered for reappointment to another term.

In September 2024, the board established the process to be used to select committee members, based on the process used in previous years:

- Applications were scheduled to be accepted between September 18 and November 15, 2024.
- To apply, candidates submit a letter of interest and résumé through an online application form.
- Openings are publicized using the district's normal communication channels.
- The board member from each zone with an open position reviews the applications submitted for their zone and recommends a candidate for appointment.
- Recommended appointees are presented for board approval.

The application was opened on September 18 and was publicized via the district's communication channels. No applications were received by the originally scheduled deadline of November 15.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the board approve revising the timeline to extend the application period. If approved, applications will be accepted through January 16, or extended to a later date if needed. Staff will re-publicize the opportunity with more extensive communications.

SUGGESTED MOTION

I move to extend the budget committee selection process as submitted.

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