Message From The Measure
A Citizens’ Oversight
Committee Chair
By Jim Massie

To Our Community:

Welcome to the Butte-Glenn Community College District’s Measure A Citizens’ Oversight Committee Annual Report. As your representative, it is the committee’s duty and privilege to oversee the expenditure of funds approved by voters to expand and update facilities at Butte College.

The committee represents a cross-section of our community in Butte and Glenn Counties. During the year, it has been a pleasure to work with the students, faculty, staff and administrators at Butte College. As the chair of this committee, I can assure you that the College is working diligently to ensure that every Measure A dollar is spent efficiently—in an effort to provide educational opportunities in our community.

During the year, the committee’s activities have included:
• Review of the facilities plan and construction schedules;
• Impacts of statewide bond funding on Measure A projects;
• Any reallocation of bond proceeds within the list submitted to voters;
• Cost-saving measures; and
• Financial and performance audits of Measure A proceeds.

Recently, the accounting firm of Matson and Isom conducted an audit of bond expenditures and activities for the period of July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004. The committee is pleased to report that Butte-Glenn Community College District properly accounted for the expenditures of funds held in the bond fund and such expenditures were made on authorized bond projects.

We appreciate the detailed construction and financial information as well as support provided by Dr. Diana Van Der Ploeg, Martha Wescoat-Andes, Les Jauron, Mike Miller and Kristie Jellison.

Most of all, it is gratifying to see how diligently the College is striving to fulfill voters’ expectations for high quality classrooms and labs. Students gain the most from their educational experience when they have facilities that are conducive to learning. We all benefit from a workforce that is educated and well-prepared to contribute to our local economy.

Thank you for your continued confidence in the Butte-Glenn Community College District as it follows through on its promise to you, the local taxpayer.
What Is Measure A?

On March 5, 2002, the voters in the Butte-Glenn Community College District approved Measure A, a general obligation bond for capital construction projects. The amount of general obligation bonds was $84.9 million.

Keeping The Promise

By Michael E. Boeger
President of the Board of Trustees Butte-Glenn Community College District

The Board of Trustees of the Butte-Glenn Community College District is pleased to present the Annual Report of the Measure A Citizens’ Oversight Committee. The nine member Committee has worked hard to ensure that all bond funds are spent on Measure A projects approved by voters. The Trustees would like to recognize the Measure A Citizens’ Oversight Committee for their service to Butte College—and to the taxpayers of Butte and Glenn Counties.

During the last year, the Butte-Glenn Community College District has been busy putting Measure A bond funds to work to renovate our aging facilities and construct new buildings.

Since the passage of Measure A, we have worked to keep every commitment made to voters. We promised voters that we would leverage Measure A dollars to gain additional state funding. We’re proud to confirm that we have successfully leveraged Measure A funding to receive additional state construction funding of $28 million for our District.

We also pledged to maintain a tax rate of no more than $20.88 per $100,000 of assessed valuation. We have done that and have great news to report.

We are pleased to inform the public that due to the increases in assessed valuations (AV) in both Butte and Glenn Counties and lower interest rates than originally expected, we anticipate that we will shorten the total debt service period by approximately 15 years and save taxpayers approximately 30% compared to earlier projections.

Butte College trustees have kept our campaign promises by delivering projects on time and within budget. This results in many benefits, not only to our community and our economy, but also to our students who are receiving an enriched learning experience.

As you review this report, you’ll see the many Measure A projects which are important milestones for Butte College.

COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION
Projects Completed On Time & Within Budget

The new Chico Center is now open and includes 18 classrooms, four computer labs, an art lab, a child development center, a tutoring center, library annex, and multiple distance learning stations. It also includes space for Student Services, a bookstore and a study hall. Total cost of the Chico Center was $16.3 million. It was completed under budget and three weeks ahead of schedule.

A new Emergency Vehicle Operations Course provides the perfect training ground for police and fire students to learn driving techniques used in emergency situations. The cost of the project was $885,000.

The Fire Rescue Training Tower was completed in May 2005 and provides students and the community with state-of-the-art training to fight fires in high-rise structures. Total cost was $355,000.

The Business Education building was renovated and received a new HVAC system during the Summer of 2004 at a cost of $630,000.
A new Auto Shop Canopy increased the instructional capability of one of our most popular programs. The canopy was completed in Spring 2005 at a cost of $56,000.

A new Agriculture Repair Shop allowed agriculture mechanics the capability to work indoors. The project was completed in Summer 2004 at a cost of $93,000.

A new parking lot provides 120 additional spaces on the east side of the main campus. Project was completed in Summer 2004 at a cost of $725,000.

CONCLUSIONS:

“The Citizens’ Oversight Committee finds Butte-Glenn Community College District to be in compliance with Proposition 39 in accounting for and expending public bond funds for Measure A. It has exercised fiscal prudence in selecting best practices designed to expedite projects through proper planning and contract management.”

Jim Massie
Measure A Citizens’ Oversight Committee Chair

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CITIZENS’ OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Members for 2004-2005:
Dick Chamberlain
CSU, Chico

Jan Clay
Primetimers & AARP

Jim Goodwin
Chico Chamber of Commerce

Gil Houston
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Chuck Rough
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Sam Yanez
Butte College Student

New Members for 2005-2006:
John Blacklock
Butte College Foundation

Jennifer McDonald
Butte College Student

Michael Mistrot
City Manager, City of Willows

About the Citizens’ Oversight Committee

In June 2002, the Board of Trustees of the Butte-Glenn Community College District approved the creation of an independent Measure A Citizens’ Oversight Committee to ensure compliance with all Proposition 39 requirements. As required, the committee must include a member of the business community, an active member of a senior citizens’ organization, an active member in a taxpayers’ association, an enrolled student, a member of the college’s foundation or other support organization, and two at large members representing the communities served by the district. All committee members are appointed by the Board of Trustees to serve in an uncompensated capacity for terms of two years, and not exceeding two consecutive terms. No committee members may be district employees, vendors or consultants. The Citizens’ Oversight Committee meets four times a year in July, October, January, and April. All committee meetings are open to the public.

Under Construction

The Learning Resource Center is set to open in January 2006. Of this $21.2 million project, $19.9 million was provided by the state with the remainder, $1.3 million, provided by Measure A.