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Report on Prop O Funds and Charter Schools

The district sponsors three charter schools in the district that have either received Prop O funding or use facilities that were modernized with Prop O funds:

School	Estimated Prop O Funding
MAAC	\$45,314
Stephen W. Hawking I (at Castle Park Middle School)	\$12,000
Stephen W. Hawking II (at Southwest Middle School)	\$1,412,000
Total Estimated Prop O funding:	\$1,469,314

In 2011, the district approved \$250,000 budget from Prop O interest earnings to fund a facilities request from the MAAC charter school. The project was a teaching kitchen at MAAC on 3rd Avenue. The project was designed and bid, but the bids exceeded the available funds. The project was put on hold pending a decision from MAAC on how to proceed. On November 18, 2013 the Board of Trustees approved decreasing the budget to expenses incurred of \$45,314. MAAC is free to request reinstatement of the budget through the normal Prop 39 charter school facility request policy.

The Stephen W. Hawking Charter School (SHC I) occupied the Chula Vista Youth Center at Chula Vista High School in 2012-13. No Prop O funds were used.

For 2013-14, SHC I moved to Castle Park Middle School (CPM). Prop O funds were used to upgrade the fire alarm system for the entire CPM campus and the project was designed before SHC I requested facilities. The charter school occupies the 700 wing and one other classroom and therefore about \$12,000 of the \$200,000 Prop O CPM Fire Alarm Project can be said to benefit the charter school. SHC I also occupies the old ROP/CTE center which has not received Prop O funds.

In 2014-15, a second Stephen W. Hawking Charter School (SHC II) was established at Southwest Middle School. SHCII occupies portables that were modernized with Prop O funds and also occupies portables installed as interim housing. The scope of modernization for the Prop O project was created in 2009 prior to the request for facilities from SHC II and included upgrading ramps to current codes, new ceiling tiles, technology infrastructure, painting, window treatments, window and drainage improvements. SHC II pays the monthly rental costs for the five interim housing portables that they occupy, but Prop O paid the installation costs (about \$700,000 for 13 portables installed in 2009). Because the construction contracts encompassed more area than occupied by SHC II, the costs associated with SHC II can only be estimated. There were four construction contracts associated with the portables and using about 30 percent for soft costs, the total expended was about \$1,412,000:

- SOM P1 – fire alarm portion is about \$70,000 out of an \$8.7 million project.
- SOM P1B increment 1 (modernization of portables) – about \$960,000.
- SOM P1B increment 1 fencing – about \$68,000.
- SOM P1B increment 2 – restroom portion is about \$290,000 out of a \$3.2 million project.
- SOM Smart Boards – about \$33,000.

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