# Mountain View Whisman School District Board of Trustees - Special Meeting Minutes



Crittenden MS Innovation Center 1701 Rock Street February 10, 2024 8:30 AM

(Live streaming available at www.mvwsd.org)

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Under Approval of Agenda, item order may be changed. All times are approximate.

## I. CALL TO ORDER (8:30 a.m.)

The meeting was called to Order at 8:30 a.m.

#### A. Pledge

Trustee President Conley led the Peadge of Aligence.

#### B. Roll Call

Present: Berman, Conley, Lambert

Absent: Chiang, Blakely

#### C. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Laura Berman and seconded by William Lambert to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Berman, Conley, Lambert

Absent: Blakely, Chiang

Trustee Chiang and Blakely arrived at approximately 8:35 a.m.

#### II. REVIEW AND ACTION

#### A. Approval of Brown Act Commitment regarding Agenda Descriptions

A motion was made by Laura Berman and seconded by William Lambert to approve the Brown Act Commitment regarding Agenda Descriptions.

Ayes: Berman, Conley, Lambert

Absent: Blakely, Chiang

The Trustees of the Mountain View Whisman School District had received a cease and desist letter dated January 11, 2024, alleging that the following described past action of

the Board violated the Ralph M. Brown Act: that in some situations, the top level agenda item descriptions were truncated where additional detail on the item was provided in the linked descriptions.

To avoid unnecessary litigation and without admitting any violation of the Ralph M. Brown Act, pursuant to Government Code, section 54960.2(c)(1), the Board hereby unconditionally commits that it will cease, desist from, and not repeat the challenged past action as described above and will provide notification of its commitment in response to the cease and desist letter.

The Board may rescind this commitment only by a majority vote of its membership taken in open session at a regular meeting and notice on its posted agenda as "Rescission of Brown Act Commitment."

## III. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD CONCERNING ITEMS ON THE CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

No member of the public wished to address the Board concerning items on the Closed Session.

#### IV. CLOSED SESSION

The meeting was adjourned to Close Session at 8:35 a.m.

- A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation
  - 1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Gov. Code, § 54957, subd. (b)(1)) Title: Superintendent

#### V. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The meeting was reconvened to Open Session at 9:57 a.m.

#### B. <u>Closed Session Report</u>

Trustee President Conley reported no action was taken in the Closed Session.

#### VI. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

#### A. 2023-24 Governance Calendar Review

The trustees reviewed the Governance Calendar for the 2023-2024 school year, which reflects agenda items that come to the Board of Trustees for consideration on an annual basis. Trustees discussed the anticipated agenda items.

The following member of the public addressed the Board of Trustees on this item:

- Former Trustee Steven Nelson
- B. Crittenden Middle School Open Space Tour

The Trustees were led on a tour by Crittenden's Student Leadership class to gather their input and perceptions about how the campus is being used and how their thoughts can be incorporated into the greening of the campus. Carducci Associates were also present.

The following member of the public addressed the Board of Trustees on this item:

Former Trustee Steven Nelson

#### VII. FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES

#### A. Future Board Meeting Dates

February 29, 2024-Environmental Sustainability Plan Update March 14, 2024-Reclassification and EL Program Update April 18, 2024-Boundaries Discussion

## VIII. ADJOURNMENT (1:00 p.m.)

The meeting was adjourned at 12:26 p.m.

#### **NOTICES FOR AUDIENCE MEMBERS**

#### 1. RECORDING OF MEETINGS:

The open session will be video recorded and live streamed on the District's website (www.mwsd.org).

#### 2. **CELL PHONES:**

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#### FRAGRANCE SENSITIVITY:

Persons attending Board meetings are requested to refrain from using perfumes, colognes or any other products that might produce a scent or chemical emission.

#### 4. SPECIAL ASSISTANCE FOR ENGLISH TRANSLATION/INTERPRETATION:

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El Distrito Escolar de Mountain View Whisman esta dedicado a proveer acceso y comunicacion a todas las personas que deseen asistir a las reuniones de la Junta. Se pide que aquellas personas que planean asistir a esta reunion y requieren de asistencia especial llamen a la Oficina del Superintendente al (650) 526-3552 con por lo menos 48 horas de anticipacion del horario y fecha de esta reunion, para asi poder coordinar los arreglos especiales.

#### 5. **DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:**

Documents provided to a majority of the Governing Board regarding an open session item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection in the District Office, located at 1400 Montecito Avenue during normal business hours.

Los documentos que se les proveen a la mayoria de los miembros de la Mesa Directiva sobre los temas en la sesion abierta de este orden del dia estaran disponibles para la inspeccion publica en la Oficina del Distrito, localizada en el 1400 Montecito Avenue durante las horas de oficinas regulares.

#### Agenda Item for Board Meeting of 2/10/2024

Agenda Category: REVIEW AND ACTION

Agenda Item Title: Approval of Brown Act Commitment regarding Agenda Descriptions

**Estimated Time:** 

Person Responsible: Dr. Ayindé Rudolph, Superintendent

#### **Background:**

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#### **Fiscal Implication:**

None

#### **Recommended Action:**

Staff recommends the Board of Trustees approve the Brown Act Commitment pursuant to Government Code, section 54960.2(c)(1) and provide notification in response to the cease and desist letter.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Description	Type	Upload Date
Cease and Desist Letter Agenda Item Titles	Backup Material	2/8/2024



**District Office** 

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February 11, 2024

#### **VIA EMAIL**

Steven E. Nelson

Mountain View, CA 94040

Re: January 11, 2024 Cease and Desist Letter

Mountain View Whisman School District

Dear Mr. Nelson:

The Board of Trustees of the Mountain View Whisman School District ("Board") has received your cease and desist letter, dated January 11, 2024, alleging that the following described past action of the Board violated the Ralph M. Brown Act: in some instances top level titles of agenda items were truncated.

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The Board may rescind this commitment only by a majority vote of its membership taken in open session at a regular meeting and noticed on its posted agenda as "Rescission of Brown Act Commitment." You will be provided with written notice, sent by any means or media you provide in response to this message, to whatever address or addresses you specify, of any intention to consider rescinding this commitment at least 30 days before any such regular meeting. In the event that this commitment is rescinded, you will have the right to commence legal action pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 54960 of the Government Code. That notice will be delivered to you by the same means as this commitment, or may be mailed to an address that you have designated in writing.

Very truly yours,

Devon Conley
Board President
Mountain View Whisman School District

cc: Ayindé Rudolph, Superintendent

## Agenda Item for Board Meeting of 2/10/2024

Agenda Category: Public Employee Performance Evaluation
Agenda Item Title: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Gov. Code, § 54957, subd. (b)(1)) Title: Superintendent
Estimated Time:
Person Responsible:
Background:
Fiscal Implication:
Recommended Action:

## Agenda Item for Board Meeting of 2/10/2024

Agenda Category: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION		
Agenda Item Title: 2023-24 Governance Calendar Review		
Estimated Time:		
Person Responsible:		
Background: The trustees review the Governance Calendar for the 2023-2024 school	year and discuss anticipated agenda items.	
Fiscal Implication:		
Recommended Action:		
ATTACHMENTS:		
Description	Type	Upload Date
MVWSD 2023-2024 Governance Calendar	Backup Material	2/8/2024

July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
No meeting	Contracts	Resolution re: Gann Limit	School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) Report	PTOC and BOC Report	Resolution: Change of Date of School Holiday	Financial Audit Report	Governors 2022- 23 Budget	Classified Layoffs (if necessary)	Classified Layoffs (if necessary)	Calendar - July 4 Holiday amendment	Update on Re- Imagining Castro
	Monta Loma Fence Choice	Payroll/warrants months of June & July 2023	CCEIS Board Report and Plan	Updates to Choice Program lottery policy	Organizational Meeting	Update on Math appeal process and data collected	Contracts	Second Interim Report	Resolution re: Day of the Teacher	PTOC and BOC Annual Report	LCAP Approval
	Environmental Sustainability and solar report	Annual review of BP 6145 - extracurricular activities	Amended Form CA Unaudited Actuals Due to SACS Software Update	Resolution supporting Native American Heritage Month	MTSS Implementation Update	SPSA Approval - Castro Elementary	Strategic Plan Update on standards	Contracts	Resolution re: Classified Apprec.	May Revise Presentation	LCAP Local Indicators
		Resolution re: Instructional Materials - Public hearing.	Parcel Tax	Resolution for United Against Hate Week	Equity Scorecard	LCAP Timeline Report	Dyslexia Update	Reclassification and EL Program Update	Contracts	Contracts	LCAP Federal Addendum
		Overnight andOout of State Fieldtrips	Approval of Board Policies	Approval of Board Policies	Update on Castro Board Goal	Preschool Annual Self Evaluation 2022-23	24 hour access to curriculum report	ELA curriculum update	Communication Platform Pilot	Resolution supporting AAPI Heritage Month	Superintendent / Asst Superintendents Contract
		Unaudited Actuals	Approval of JUA with City of Mountain View	Tri 1 Health and Wellness Written Progress Report	CA Dashboard	SARCs	Overnight and Out of State Fieldtrips Spring dates	Update on Re- Imagining Castro		Classified Employee of the Year & Teacher of the Year	Contracts
		Resolution supporting Hispanic Heritage Month	Payments/ Warrants	Annual Enrollment Policies Review	Resolution for Poverty Awareness Month	Resolution supporting Black History Month	Update on Math appeal process and data collected	ELOP and BTB Updates and Contracts		Employee Recognition / Years of Service	
		2022-2023 Fund 25 Developer Fee Report	ESSER III Expenditure Plan Update	Payments/Warrants	Approval of Joint Use Agreement	Naming Board Rep. County Comm. Election	BOC new member,	Staff Housing Non- Profit 60		Resolution supporting LGBTQ+ and Gender Expansive Youth	
		Newly Tenured Teachers	Sustainability Task Force Update	Sustainability Task Force Update, Carducci report on green scores	2023-2024 1st Interim Report	CA Dashboard	CSBA Delegate Assembly Election	ELOP 24-25 Contract		LCAP Local indicators PUBLIC HEARING LCAP	
		ELOP Summer Intersession Report	4% off schedule	Universal PK	Approval of Comprehensive School Safety Plan template	i-Ready Diagnostic 2 Assessment Data Overview	Resolution supporting Women's History Month	Boundaries Discussion		LCAP Federal Addendum	
		Contracts	Contracts	Organizational meeting discussion	Adoption of 2024- 2025 School Calendar	Board Discussion for starting a Vision for Al	Parcel Tax polling results			PUBLIC HEARING: Budget Adoption	
						Board Policies Updates	Literacy Team update			ELA Adoption Materials Recommendations	

#### Agenda Item for Board Meeting of 2/10/2024

Agenda Category: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION
Agenda Item Title: Crittenden Middle School Open Space Tour
Estimated Time:
Person Responsible:

#### **Background:**

The Trustees will be led on a tour by Crittenden's Student Leadership class to gather their input and perceptions about how the campus is being used and how their thoughts can be incorporated into the greening of the campus.

**Fiscal Implication:** 

**Recommended Action:** 

## Agenda Item for Board Meeting of 2/10/2024

Agenda Item Title:	Future Board Meeting Dates		
<b>Estimated Time:</b>			
Person Responsible	<b>e:</b>		

## **Background:**

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**Agenda Category:** FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES

**Fiscal Implication:** 

**Recommended Action:**