Mountain View Whisman School District Board of Trustees - Regular Meeting



1400 Montecito Avenue February 13, 2025

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Closed Session to begin at 4:30 p.m. - Open Session to begin at 6:00 p.m.

(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 (4:30 p.m.)

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

A. Roll Call

Present: Conley, DiFazio, Henry, Lambert

Absent: Reed

B. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Devon Conley and seconded by Charles DiFazio to approve the Agenda, as presented.

Ayes: Conley, DiFazio, Henry, Lambert, Reed

Trustee Reed arrived at the meeting.

The following members of the community addressed the Board of Trustees:

• Steven Nelson

- Anonymous
- Mohan Gurunathan

Interim Superintendent Jeff Baier commented the Board would not be taking any action in Closed Session on item C: Public Employment (Government Code section 54957, subd. (b).) Title: Board Coach and Consultant. The Board will be considering a draft of an agreement. Should the Board decide to take action, this item will appear as an agendized item in Open Session on a future agenda.

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

The following members of the community addressed the Board of Trustees:

- Steven Nelson
- Anonymous
- Mohan Gurunathan

III. CLOSED SESSION

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 4:45 p.m.

A. Negotiations

1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8):

Property: 777 West Middlefield Rd., Mountain View, California Agency Negotiator: Rebecca Westover, Chief Business Official; Phil Henderson & Sarine Abrahamian, Orbach Huff & Henderson Negotiating Parties: Mountain View Owner, LLC

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment related to Option to Purchase Real Property

2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS Government Code § 54956.8

Properties: 1625 San Luis Avenue, Mountain View, CA 94043

District Negotiator: Jeffrey Baier, Interim Superintendent, Dr. Rebecca

Westover, Chief Business Officer, Phil Henderson,

Orbach Huff & Henderson

Party With Whom District Is Negotiating: Google Inc.

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS Government Code § 54956.8

Properties: 325 Gladys Avenue, Mountain View, California

Agency Negotiator: Jeffrey Baier, Interim Superintendent; Rebecca

Westover, CBO; Phil Henderson, Orbach Huff & Henderson

Negotiating Parties: Google, Inc.

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

B. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Gov. Code, § 54957, subd. (b)(1)) Title:

Interim Superintendent

- C. Public Employment (Government Code section 54957, subd. (b).) Title: Board Coach and Consultant
- D. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Government Code section 54957)

IV. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION (6:00 p.m.)

A. Closed Session Report

The meeting was reconvened to Open Session at 6:00 p.m.

Trustee President Lambert reported that no action was taken during Closed Session, and Trustee DiFazio recused himself from Items 2 and 3 in Closed Session.

A. <u>Pledge</u>

The students from Monta Loma School led the Pledge of Allegiance.

V. SCHOOL SHOWCASE by Monta Loma Elementary School

Monta Loma staff showcased their special traditions and how their Leopard Den Leaders promote positive school culture. Staff put together a video explaining what it means to Monta Loma to be United Against Hate.

Monta believes that to develop school culture, it is essential to focus on both student and staff culture and that relationships are the foundation of their work with students, families, and colleagues.

VI. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

A. (Action) Employee Recognition for Turtle Award

The Trustees recognized the two admirable employees of the Turtle Award who demonstrated exceptional collaboration and teamwork with their colleagues and/or students.

The following member of the community addressed the Board of Trustees:

• Anonymous

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

All items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be approved in one motion. If discussion is required, items may be removed for separate consideration.

A motion was made by Charles DiFazio and seconded by Ana Reed to approve the Consent Agenda with the removal of Contract 3; Construction Inspection Services, Inc.

Ayes: Conley, DiFazio, Henry, Lambert, Reed

The following members of the community addressed the Board of Trustees:

- Steven Nelson
- Mohan Gurunathan

A. <u>Personnel Report</u>

Personnel Report to the Board of Trustees

B. Minutes

- 1. Minutes for the January 16, 2025 Regular Board Meeting
- 2. Minutes for the January 23, 2025 Special Board Meeting

C. Contracts

- 1. (Action) Ratification of Contracts
- D. Theuerkauf School Book Discard
- E. Graham School Book Discard
- F. Adopt Resolution No. 01-021325, acknowledging seven certifications required to submit modernization and new construction funding applications to the Office of Public School Construction
- G. Approval of Updated Job Description-Noon Duty
- H. Approval of Monthly Reports for the Month of January 2025; Ratifying some contracts and Reviewing other contracts

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

- Mohan Gurunathan
- I. Administrative Regulation 3350 and Board Policy 3350 Travel Expenses
- J. <u>Mountain View Whisman School District Park Restrooms Project at Various Sites Rodan Builders Change Order 1.</u>
- K. Award of Contract to Guerra Construction Group for the Vargas Elementary Outdoor Learning Spaces Project.
- L. <u>Mountain View Whisman School District Park Restrooms Project at Various Sites Public Restrooms Company Change Order 4</u>
- M. <u>Updated Memorandum of Understanding with San Jose Sate University</u>

VIII. COMMUNITY COMMENTS

The following members of the community addressed the Board of Trustees:

- Steven Nelson
- Hazel Bourget
- Anonymous
- Lana Sheridan
- Katherine Naegele

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Reports of Employee Organizations

No member of the employee organization was present to address the Board of Trustees.

B. <u>Interim Superintendent Report</u>

Interim Superintendent Baier updated the trustees on the following:

- Superintendent search: Staff and parent groups have already begun to meet with Leadership Associates consultants.
- Staff Housing Development: 34 apartments have been allocated, and 21 new applications were received.
- publiccomments@: Making communication processes more efficient. Emails to this address will receive an auto-response. If the comments meet the criteria, they will be posted to the website on Thursday and sent to the Trustees.
- Public Records Request: Currently working on the logistics of posting and anticipate additional records being added to the existing webpage on mvwsd.org at the end of February.

The following members of the community addressed the Board of Trustees:

- Steven Nelson
- Nhung Liu
- Nancy Achter

X. REVIEW AND ACTION

 A. (Action) Resolution 02-021325 Affirming Mountain View Whisman School District's Support of Its Students and Families Regarding Immigration Enforcement Actions At Schools

A motion was made by Devon Conley and seconded by Ana Reed to approve Resolution 02-021325 Affirming Mountain View Whisman School District's Support of Its Students and Families Regarding Immigration Enforcement Actions At Schools.

Ayes: Conley, DiFazio, Henry, Lambert, Reed

The Mountain View Wisman Board of Trustees affirmed the district's commitment to following the law, protecting immigrant students, and ensuring that all students feel safe, welcome, and fully supported in MVWSD schools.

B. (Discussion) Governor's January Budget Proposal

Ms. Pongo highlighted the Governor's January Budget Proposal, which outlines a comprehensive spending plan for the state. With this information and the revision coming in May, staff will work to develop the MVWSD budget for 2025-2026.

The following member of the community addressed the Board of Trustees:

- Anonymous
- C. (Discussion) Volunteer Process Update

Ms. Vikjord provided clarity and shared planned updates on changes to the volunteering process for next year. Rather than counting visits, the hours will be based on state law, which allows parents to volunteer more often before being required to get a badge.

The following members of the community addressed the Board of Trustees:

- Anonymous
- Nancy Achter
- Karin Dillion
- Nhung Liu
- Vivek Sharma
- D. (Discussion) Annual Update to the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and the Local Control Funding Formula Budget Overview for Parents (BOP) - Mid-year Report

Ms. Baur presented a mid-year report on the metrics, actions, and expenditures in the 2024-25 Local Control Accountability Plan and Budget Overview for Parents (BOP).

The following member of the community addressed the Board of Trustees:

- Steven Nelson
- Anonymous
- E. (Discussion) Financing Options for Purchasing Land

A motion was made by Devon Conley and seconded by Charles DiFazio to extend the meeting to 10:30 p.m.

Ayes: Conley, DiFazio, Henry, Lambert, Reed

MVWSD owns the staff housing building and leases the land. Dr. Westover presented available funding and purchase options for the Board's consideration. The Board discussed options to fund the potential purchase of the land in the near future. This long-term investment could reduce MVWSD expenses and potentially lower residents' rent.

The following members of the community addressed the Board of Trustees:

- Hazel Bourget
- Jenna Kinkade
- Clarissa Excantus
- Reshma Thadani
- Anonymous
- Karin Dillon
- Sierra VanZandt
- Mohan Gurunathan

F. (Discussion) Update of Vendor Selection / Contract Checklist

A motion was made by Devon Conley and seconded by Lisa Henry to extend the meeting to 11:00 p.m.

Ayes: Conley, DiFazio, Henry, Lambert

Abstain: Reed

Dr. Westover presented an updated Vendor Selection/Contract Checklist to the trustees. Issuing an RFP or searching for alternate vendors for a professional service may not be appropriate when a long-standing partnership with a vendor has provided specialized expertise and high-quality results.

Staff believed that a sole-source approach is appropriate for professional services, so they will prepare a rationale to include with the contract and checklist. They previously recommended that the checklist not be required for school sites because they are lower in value, and the additional paperwork may not provide sufficient benefits.

The following member of the community addressed the Board of Trustees:

- Anonymous
- Nancy Achter
- Mohan Gurunathan
- Karin Dillon

G. (Action) 2025 CSBA Delegate Assembly Election

A motion was made by Devon Conley and seconded by William Lambert to to elect the following for the California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly: Teresa Castellanos, Naomi Nakano-Matsumoto, George Sanchez, and Vaishali Sirkay.

Ayes: Conley, DiFazio, Henry, Lambert, Reed

The Santa Clara County, Region 20, CSBA Delegate Assembly has four vacancies. The Board of Trustees, as a whole, may vote for up to the number of vacancies (4) in the region. Delegates will serve two-year terms from April 1, 2025, to March 31, 2027.

XI. BOARD UPDATES

No updates.

XII. FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES

A. Future Board Meeting Dates

March 6, 2025 March 15, 2025 Special Meeting March 20, 2025 March 22, 2025 Special Meeting

B. MVWSD 2024-25 Governance Calendar

2024-2025 Governance Calendar

Agenda items listed on a designated month on the Governance Calendar are subject to change.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 p.m.

NOTICES FOR AUDIENCE MEMBERS

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2. **CELL PHONES:**

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3. FRAGRANCE SENSITIVITY:

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4. SPECIAL ASSISTANCE FOR ENGLISH TRANSLATION/INTERPRETATION:

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5. **DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:**

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