

Mountain View-Los Altos Union High School District
Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Monday, February 13, 2023; 6:00 p.m. Closed Session; 7:00 p.m. Open Session
District Office Board Room, 1299 Bryant Avenue, Mountain View, CA 94040

### Call to Order

# 1.1 Call to Order

The Board President will call the meeting to order.

Recommendation: Call to Order.

President Faillace called the meeting to order at 6:00\* p.m.

The following Trustees were present: Phil Faillace, Sanjay Dave, Esmeralda Ortiz, Thida Cornes, and Catherine Vonnegut.

# **Closed Session Agenda**

# 2.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9 - One Potential Case

**Recommendation:** Information/action.

# 2.2 Public Employee Appointment Pursuant to Government Code §54957 Personnel Action Report – Handouts in Open Session

**Recommendation:** Approve the Personnel Action Report.

### **Public Comment**

## 3.1 Public Comment on Items Scheduled for Discussion in Closed Session

This time is reserved for any person to address the Board of Trustees on items scheduled for discussion during Closed Session only. These presentations are limited to three minutes each, or a total of thirty minutes for all speakers or the three minute limit may be shortened. Speakers are not allowed to yield their time.

**Recommendation:** Listen to public comment.

No public comment was received.

# Adjourn to Closed Session at 6:00 p.m.

# 4.1 Adjourn to Closed Session

The Board of Trustees will adjourn to Closed Session to consider items listed on the Closed Session agenda.

Recommendation: Information/action.

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:02\* p.m.

# Reconvene Open Session at 7:00 p.m.

# 5.1 Reconvene to Open Session

The Board will reconvene to Open Session.

**Recommendation:** Reconvene to Open Session.

President Faillace called Open Session to order at 7:17\* p.m.

# 6.0 Preliminary Business

# 6.1 Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

The Board President will lead the Pledge of Allegiance and conduct Roll Call.

**Recommendation:** Information.

President Faillace led the Pledge of Allegiance and conducted Roll Call noting that the following Trustees were present: Phil Faillace, Sanjay Dave, Esmeralda Ortiz, Thida Cornes, and Catherine Vonnegut. Student representatives Sadie Gracon and Ava Keshavarzi were present.

# 7.0 Approval of the Agenda

# 7.1 Approval of the Meeting Agenda

The Board will review and approve the meeting agenda.

Recommendation: Approve the meeting agenda.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Moved, Member (Sanjay Dave) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approve the meeting agenda'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes
Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

## 8.0 Report Out Action Taken in Closed Session

# 8.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9 - One Potential Case

**Recommendation:** Information/action.

There was no action taken on this item.

# 8.2 Public Employee Appointment Pursuant to Government Code §54957 Personnel Action Report – Handouts in Open Session

**Recommendation:** Approve the Personnel Action Report.

There was no action taken on this item.

# 9.0 Recognitions and Resolutions

# 9.1 MVLA Spotlight: Andrea Maes, Kristine Bardman, and Margaret Gong - MVLA Foundation Organization Leaders

The Board and Superintendent wish to recognize Andrea Maes, President, Kristine Bardman, and Margaret Gong, Co-Executive Directors of the MVLA Foundation, as the MVLA Spotlight for their partnership with and support of the students, families, and staff of the district.

**Recommendation:** Recognize Spotlight recipients.

The Board recognized Andrea Maes, Kristine Bardman, and Margaret Gong.

# **10.0 Board Member Reports**

# 10.1 Board Member Reports

Trustees may wish to give a report. **Recommendation:** Information.

There were no board member reports given.

# 11.0 Student Board Member Reports

# **11.1 Student Board Member Reports**

Student Board members may wish to give a report.

**Recommendation:** Information.

Student representatives reported on activities and events at their schools.

### 12.0 Students of the Month

### 12.1 Student of the Month: Isabel Ortiz (Adult School)

The Board of Education will recognize the Adult School Student of the Month (and Spring), Isabel Ortiz.

**Recommendation:** Recognize the Student of the Month.

Adult School Student of the Month, Isabel Ortiz, was introduced by Julie Vo, Director of Adult Education, and was recognized by the Board of Trustees and Dr. Meyer.

# 13.0 Superintendent's Report

## 13.1 Superintendent's Report

The superintendent may wish to give a report.

**Recommendation:** Information.

Superintendent Dr. Nellie Meyer reported on district academics, school site highlights, and district-wide initiatives.

### 14.0 Communications

14.1 District Organizations: At regular Board meetings, a single spokesperson of each recognized District organization (CSEA, DTA) may give a brief update. Items are limited to those which are informational.

**Recommendation:** For information.

No district organization updates were received.

## 15.0 Public Comment

# 15.1 Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

Anyone wishing to address the Board on any topic not listed on the agenda should make a request to the Board President by completing a request to be heard form and present it to the Superintendent's Executive Assistant. The President will recognize those who desire to speak either during the "Public Comment" section or during the particular agenda item. Each speaker is allocated a maximum of 3 minutes. The President may choose to limit any position or topic if substantial numbers of people wish to address the Board. If you wish to speak on an issue not on the agenda, please be advised that the Board may not take action on any item not specifically listed on the agenda. The Board members may ask brief questions for clarification, but may not otherwise discuss the issue. The Board values constructive community comments and suggestions and welcomes your participation in the democratic process.

**Recommendation:** Listen to public comment.

The following individuals gave public comment:

David Roseman Lia Rensin Vadim Katz Mark Balch Brad Newman Cindy Anderson Viviane Wilmann Ben Samek

## **16.0 Consolidated Motion**

Sheira Ariel

# **16.1 Personnel Report**

The Personnel Office reports the district's personnel changes at each meeting of the Board of Trustees.

**Recommendation:** Approve the Personnel Report.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Moved, Member (Thida Cornes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approve the Personnel Report'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes
Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

# 16.2 Independent Contractor Agreement Between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Aequor Healthcare Services, LLC.

Independent Contractor Agreement, Aequor Healthcare Services, LLC.

This contract is for Aequor Healthcare Services, LLC, which provides Board Certified Behavior Analyst that works with students implementing and monitoring behavioral support in classes as well as behavior intervention. They support each site's Special Education program and provide analysis and supervision on strategies.

**Recommendation:** Approve the contract with Aequor Healthcare Services, LLC, for the 2022-2023 school year.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Moved, Member (Thida Cornes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approve the contract with Aequor Healthcare Services, LLC, for the 2022-2023 school year'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes
Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

# 16.3 Amended Independent Contractor Agreement Between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Ed Sped Solutions Inc.

Amended Independent Contractor Agreement, Ed Sped Solutions Inc.

This contract is for Ed Sped Solutions Inc., which provides paraprofessional and Registered Behavior Technicians that work with applied behavior analysis to implement plans. They support each site's Special Education program to provide data analysis, consultation, and supervision on behaviorist strategies.

**Recommendation:** Approve the contract with Ed Sped Solutions Inc., for the 2022-2023 school year.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Moved, Member (Thida Cornes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approve the contract with Ed Sped Solutions Inc., for the 2022-2023 school year'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes Catherine Vonnegut Yes

Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

# 16.4 Contract Amendment #1 Between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Consolidated Engineering Labs to Provide Special Inspection Services Related to the Mountain View High School Student Services Building Project

Mountain View Los Altos High School District is requesting Contract Amendment #1 with Consolidated Engineering Labs be ratified: - Additional materials and construction special inspections required due to site conditions and inspections as required by DSA and the Inspector of Record.

**Recommendation:** Ratify Contract Amendment #1 between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Consolidated Engineering Labs to provide special inspection services related to the Mountain View High School Student Services Building project.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Moved, Member (Thida Cornes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Ratify Contract Amendment #1 between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Consolidated Engineering Labs to provide special inspection services related to the Mountain View High School Student Services Building project'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes
Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

# 16.5 Contract Amendment #2 Between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Consolidated Engineering Labs to Provide Special Inspection Services Related to the Los Altos High School Student Services Building Project

Mountain View Los Altos High School District is requesting Contract Amendment #2 with Consolidated Engineering Labs be ratified: - Additional materials and construction special inspections required due to site conditions and inspections as required by DSA and the Inspector of Record.

**Recommendation:** Ratify Contract Amendment #2 between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Consolidated Engineering Labs to provide special inspection services related to the Los Altos High School Student Services Building project.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Moved, Member (Thida Cornes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Ratify Contract Amendment #2 between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Consolidated Engineering Labs to provide special inspection services related to the Los Altos High School Student Services Building project'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes
Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

# 16.6 Change Order #7A Between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Sausal Corporation to Provide Services Related to the Los Altos High School Student Services Building Project

Mountain View Los Altos High School District is requesting Change Order #7A with Sausal Corporation be ratified: - Time and material with equipment to clean up jobsite in preparation for site scaffolding, temporary stairs to second floor and upcoming work around the building perimeter. - Unforeseen cost escalation for stainless steel raw materials needed for the metal entrance floor grates. The increased cost represents the difference between the price quoted at bid time and the current stainless steel market costs. Also, the cost has been revised to include sales tax that was not accounted for in the original quote from the steel supplier. - Provide labor, equipment, and materials to install additional framing and connections at storefront CW9 that was not shown in the structural details.

**Recommendation:** Ratify Change Order #7A between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Sausal Corporation to provide services related to the Los Altos High School Student Services Building project.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Moved, Member (Thida Cornes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Ratify Change Order #7A between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Sausal Corporation to provide services related to the Los Altos High School Student Services Building project'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes
Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

# 16.7 Warrants, December, 2022

Education Code 42631 requires that the Board of Trustees approve District expenditures. A copy of the warrants are available at the District Office and can be reviewed by any interested person during regular business hours.

**Recommendation:** Approve the warrants for the month of December, 2022.

### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Moved, Member (Thida Cornes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approve the warrants for the month of December, 2022'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes
Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

## 16.8 Gifts and Donations

The Fiscal Services Department reports gifts and donations the district has received at each meeting of the Board of Trustees.

### REPORT:

\$5,000 from the Lis Hammel and Jonah Alben to MVLA

\$5,000 from the Mintz Living Trust Fund to MVHS

\$1,000 from Naveen Agarwal and Seokyung Ahn to MVHS

\$500 from Mithran and Anita Mathew to MVHS

\$100 from May Wong to Middle College

\$100 from Paul and Beverly Acevedo to Middle College

\$200 from Christopher and Sharon Robinson to Middle College

\$100 from Sarah Finlay and Gregory Snyder to Middle College

\$250 from Lars and Jaime Lee to Middle College \$500 from Chad Wong to Middle College

\$100 from Louis and Heather Marzano to Middle College

\$200 from Jon Wakimoto and Karen Bunya to Middle College

\$500 from Terrence Carpenter to Middle College

\$1,500 from Barbara and Thomas McCarthy to MVLA CTE

\$2,500 from JWM and Terrance Spies to Middle College

\$500 from Beverly and Paul Acevedo to Middle College

\$2,000 from Mary Firenze to Middle College

\$200 from Peter and Monica Walsh to Middle College

\$250 from Strandberg Engineering to Middle College

\$500 from Ryan Greene to Middle College

**Recommendation:** Accept the gifts and donations listed above and request that acknowledgement be sent to the donor expressing the Board's appreciation.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Moved, Member (Thida Cornes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Accept the gifts and donations listed above and request that acknowledgement be sent to the donor expressing the Board's appreciation'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes
Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

# 16.9 Minutes for the Board of Trustees Meetings Conducted on January 31, January 23, and January 11, 2023

Minutes for the Board of Trustees Meetings conducted on January 31, January 23, and January 11, 2023, are presented for approval by the Board.

**Recommendation:** Approve the minutes for the Board of Trustees Meetings conducted on January 31, January 23, and January 11, 2023.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Moved, Member (Thida Cornes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approve the minutes for the Board of Trustees Meetings conducted on January 31, January 23, and January 11, 2023'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes
Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

# 16.10 Resolution 22/23-19: AB 361 State and Local Agencies: Teleconferences

AB 361 extends the flexibilities provided in the Governor's prior executive order to local and state bodies to hold public meetings electronically beyond the executive order's September 30, 2021 expiration date. Approval of this item allows for remote Board of Trustees meetings for the next 30 days.

**Recommendation:** Approve Resolution No. 22/23-19: Resolution Continuing Board of Trustees Authority to Hold Virtual Meetings Pursuant to AB 361.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Moved, Member (Thida Cornes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approve Resolution No. 22/23-19: Resolution Continuing Board of Trustees Authority to Hold Virtual Meetings Pursuant to AB 361'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes
Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

## 17.0 Items Pulled from Consolidated Motion for Discussion

# 17.1 Addendum (CEQA) to the Approved 2019 Los Altos High School Expansion Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) Related to the 500 Wing Replacement Project

The Mountain View/Los Altos Union High School District (the District), which is in the process of implementing the approved 2019 campus expansion, is now proposing modifications to the planned Los Altos High School expansion project (modified project). The original campus expansion project did not include, and the IS/MND did not evaluate, modifications to the 500

West Wing, which consists of a storage unit located south of the campus pool. The District now proposes to demolish the 1,823 square foot 500 West Wing building and replace it with a 2,502 square foot one-story building consisting of two multi-use rooms and an athletic director's office. The multi-use rooms would provide space for uses such as PE, classrooms, sports, etc. The modifications to the 500 West Wing would not be in support of accommodating additional students beyond the additional 410 students evaluated in the 2019 IS/MND. This Addendum analyzes the demolition of the 1,823 square foot 500 West Wing and the construction of a 2,502

square foot one-story building with two multi-use rooms and an athletic director's office under Section 15164. Based on the modified project description and knowledge of the project site (based on the environmental review prepared for the 2019 IS/MND), the District has concluded that the modified project would not result in any new impacts not previously disclosed in the IS/MND and would not result in a substantial increase in the magnitude or severity of any significant environmental impacts previously identified in the IS/MND. For these reasons, an Addendum to the IS/MND has been prepared for the modified project.

**Recommendation:** Approve Addendum (CEQA) to the Approved 2019 Los Altos High School Expansion Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) related to the 500 Wing Replacement project.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Thida Cornes) Moved, Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approve Addendum (CEQA) to the Approved 2019 Los Altos High School Expansion Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) related to the 500 Wing Replacement project'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes
Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

### 18.0 Business/Action Items

### 18.1 Annual Review - Alta Vista High School

Suzanne Woolfolk, principal, will present the annual review for Alta Vista High School. The presentation will focus on data on graduation rate, which includes access, attendance, credits, and a comparative look with our neighboring continuation schools.

**Recommendation:** For information.

Principal Suzanne Woolfolk presented to the Board of Trustees and Dr. Meyer.

# 18.2 Annual Review - Adult Education

The Adult Education leadership team will present to the Board, a report on the Adult School's programs and services known as the Annual Review. The presentation includes a discussion of factors that support academic growth and achievement and focuses on results-oriented instructional practices and programs of support.

**Recommendation:** Accept the Adult Education annual review.

Julie Vo, Adult Education Director; Jonathan Fu, Assistant Director; and Adult School site leaders presented to the Board of Trustees and Dr. Meyer.

# 18.3 2023 California School Boards Association (CSBA) Delegate Assembly Ballot

The attachment includes the Official 2023 Delegate Assembly Ballot for Region 20 (Santa Clara County), biographical sketch forms of the candidates, and letter from CSBA.

There are vacancies in Region 20 (Santa Clara County) for membership on the 2023 CSBA Delegate Assembly. The candidates are: Theresa Bond (Los Gatos-Saratoga Union HSD)

Danielle MS Cohen (Campbell Union SD)\* Van Le (East Side Union HSD)\* Christopher T. Norwood (Milpitas USD) Carol Presunka (Cambrian SD)\* Vaishali Sirkay (Los Altos SD) Bridget Watson (Sunnyvale SD)\* \*denotes incumbent Write-in candidates for consideration are: Catherine Vonnegut (Mountain View Los Altos HSD) George Sanchez (Franklin-McKinley SD)\* Jorge Pacheco, Jr. (Oak Grove SD)

**Recommendation:** Consider candidates and cast a ballot for no more than six candidates in the 2023 California School Boards Association (CSBA) Delegate Assembly (Region 20) election.

### **NEW - Motion**

Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Moved, Member (Esmeralda Ortiz) Seconded to approve the **NEW** motion 'Approve to cast a ballot for candidates in the 2023 California School Boards Association (CSBA) Delegate Assembly (Region 20) election: Danielle MS Cohen, Van Le, Vaishali Sirkay, Bridget Watson, Catherine Vonnegut, and George Sanchez. '. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Sanjay Dave Yes
Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Phil Faillace Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

# 19.0 Board Operations

# 19.1 Board Suggestions for Future Board Reports/Meetings

Trustees may wish to share suggestions for future Board reports/meetings.

**Recommendation:** For information.

# 19.2 Communications/Correspondence

The Board of Trustees may wish to share communications/correspondence.

**Recommendation:** Information.

Superintendent Dr. Meyer read a letter dated February 8, 2023, to Joe Simitian, County Supervisor; Maegan Pearson, Abode Communities; and Kelly Hollywood, Mercy Housing California. (See attachment #1.)

President Faillace announced that public comment had been received via email and that it should be included in the meeting minutes. (See attachment #2.)

### 19.3 Date, Time and Place of Next Meeting

The Board of Trustees will meet next:

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, March 13, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Future Board Meeting dates are:

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, March 27, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, April 3, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, April 24, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, May 8, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, May 22, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, June 5, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, June 9\*, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

(No meetings scheduled in the month of July, 2023.)

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, August 14, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, August 28, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, September 11, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, October 16, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, November 13, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, December 18, 2023, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

**Recommendation:** For information.

### **Resume Closed Session if Needed**

# 20.1 Items not Completed During the First Closed Session will be Carried Over to this Closed Session

Recommendation: Information/action.

The Board of Trustees did not return to Closed Session.

## Reconvene Open Session and Report Out Action Taken in Second Closed Session

# 21.1 The Board will Reconvene Open Session and Report Out Any Action Taken During Second Closed Session

**Recommendation:** Information/action.

N/A

## Adjournment

### 22.1 Adjourn Meeting

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mountain View Los Altos High School District will adjourn.

**Recommendation:** Approve to adjourn the meeting.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Sanjay Dave) Moved, Member (Catherine Vonnegut) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Approve to adjourn the meeting'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Sanjay Dave Yes Catherine Vonnegut Yes Phil Faillace Yes Thida Cornes Yes

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.



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Minutes approved: March 13, 2023		
Nellie Meyer, Ed.D. Secretary	Phil Faillace, Ph.D. President	
Esmeralda Ortiz Clerk		



#### MOUNTAIN VIEW LOS ALTOS HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES** 

Phil Faillace, Ph.D. Sanjay Dave Esmeralda Ortiz Thida Cornes Catherine Vonnegut

SUPERINTENDENT
Nellie Meyer, Ed.D.

February 8, 2023

Joe Simitian, County Supervisor supervisor.simitian@bos.sccgov.org

Maegan Pearson, Abode Communities mpearson@abodecommunities.org

Kelly Hollywood, Mercy Housing California Kelly Hollywood@mercyhousing.org

Dear Supervisor Simitian, Ms. Pearson, and Ms. Hollywood,

After much discussion and close analysis of the detailed conditions for participation in Supervisor Simitian's creative solution to providing affordable housing to teachers in the area including MVLAHSD, we have determined a course of action that we strongly believe best serves the goal of attracting excellent teachers to the area and retaining them.

Putting to good use the flexibility Supervisor Simitian built into his concept, MVLAHSD would like the occupancy rights to the 12 units now designated for MVLAHSD to be purchased instead by districts that have a far greater need. Of course, our hope is that our partner districts, MVWSD and LASD, from which our students come, will be the ones entering into the contract to purchase those additional rights to occupancy at the affordable rents the contract prescribes.

The realization of this hope will increase the likelihood that MVLAHSD will continue to welcome well prepared 9<sup>th</sup> graders to our high schools, for which our relatively stronger tax base enables us to attract and retain staff with wages and benefits that are the envy of other districts across the state. Our labor partners concur that purchasing the occupancy rights is not the highest and best use of the money for MVLAHSD, and that having our partner districts buy them is the best outcome.

We understand that MVWSD is likely to be ready to acquire the additional occupancy rights that our non-participation would make available and that LASD is seriously interested in discussing the possibility of purchasing some of those rights. We have also received inquiries from other nearby North County districts about the possibility of their purchasing the rights currently designated for MVLAHSD. We all agree that enabling North County districts to hire and keep well qualified teachers is of great benefit to the entire county.

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We applaud Supervisor Simitian for his ongoing foresight and problem solving skills, and admire the efforts that all the parties have put forward to date to address the lack of affordable housing that is exacerbated in this region.

We thank all of you for the time you have invested in this worthwhile project and the efforts to be creative and proactive for our future generations.

Sincerely,

Nellie Meyer Superintendent

Board of Trustees MVLA High School District

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Phone: (650) 940-4650

# Attachment #2 to the February 13, 2023 Mountain View Los Altos High School District Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes

---- Forwarded Message -----

From: 'Laura Kostinsky' via MVLA Board of Trustees < <a href="mailto:trustees@mvla.net">trustees@mvla.net</a>>

To: "trustees@mvla.net" <trustees@mvla.net>

Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 at 05:50:59 PM PST

Subject: Public record comment re Ethnic Studies

Ethnic Studies should promote understanding, appreciation and respect for others, cooperation, self respect, etc. The "Ethnic Studies" under consideration does the opposite, teaching whom you should hate and why, and why you should feel bad and ashamed about yourself. If any decision merited the close study of the Board of Trustees, "Ethnic Studies" is the one.

Sincerely, Laura Kostinsky

Sent from my iPhone