



*Mountain View Los Altos Union High School District
Board of Trustees Minutes for February 10, 2025.
District Office Board Room
1299 Bryant Avenue,
Mountain View, CA 94040*

Members Present: Catherine Vonnegut
Thida Cornes
Esmeralda Ortiz
Vadim Katz
Alex Levich
Members Absent: None

1.0 Call to Order

1.1 Call to Order

The Board President will call the meeting to order.

Recommendation: Call to Order.

Board President Dr. Ortiz called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

2.0 Closed Session Agenda

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

Recommendation: Approve the Personnel Action Report.

2.2 Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release Pursuant to Government Code §54597

Recommendation: For information/action.

2.3 Conference with Labor Negotiator Regarding Negotiations with CSEA, DTA and Non-represented Groups Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6 Agency Negotiators: Leyla Benson and Eric Volta

Recommendation: Information/action.

2.4 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9 - no cases

Recommendation: Information/action.

3.0 Adjourn to Closed Session at 6:25 p.m.

The Board adjourned to closed session.

4.0 Reconvene Open Session at 6:35 p.m.

The Board convened in the District Lobby to dedicate the Memorial Bench to Dr. Phil Faillace at 6:38 PM.

5.0 Public Comment

5.1 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 comments from the public were made.

6.0 Bench Dedication for Trustee: Dr. Phil Faillace

6.1 The MVLA Trustees will be dedicating a bench to Dr. Phil Faillace at 6:35 p.m.

Dr. Faillace's years of service to the MVLA community will be celebrated in a bench dedication led by Trustee Catherine Vonnegut. Dr. Faillace was on the MVLA School Board from 1996 to 2024.

Recommendation: For information

Trustee Catherine Vonnegut formally dedicated the bench to Dr. Faillace and expressed gratitude on behalf of the MVLA District for his many years of committed service.

7.0 Preliminary Business

7.1 Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

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

Recommendation: Information.

Board President, Dr. Ortiz called the Regular meeting to order at 7:04 PM. She led the Pledge of allegiance and took roll call noting all Trustees present.

7.2 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 **(Alex Levich)** 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**

Catherine Vonnegut	Yes
Thida Cornes	Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz	Yes
Vadim Katz	Yes
Alex Levich	Yes

7.3 Report on Action Taken in Closed Session

No action was taken; the Board resumed closed session at the end of the meeting.

8.0 Students of the Month

8.1 Students of the Month: Osvaldo Valenzuela, Los Altos High School and Parth Agarwala, Mountain View High School

The Board of Education will recognize Students of the Month, Osvaldo Valenzuela (Los Altos High School) and Parth Agarwala (Mountain View High School).

The Board of Trustees, along with Student Board Representatives and Superintendent Mr. Eric Volta, recognized Osvaldo Valenzuela from LAHS and Parth Agarwala from MVHS as the February Students of the Month. Their families were also in attendance.

9.0 Communications

9.1 Board Member Reports

Trustees may wish to give a report.

Recommendation: Information.

Trustees Catherine Vonnegut, Thida Cornes, and Esme Ortiz provided updates on the meetings and activities they attended.

9.2 Student Board Member Reports

Student Board members may wish to make a report.

Recommendation: Information.

Student Representatives Arathi Naga, from Los Altos High School and Christophe Bouteille from Mountain View High School reported on events and activities at their respective schools.

9.3 Superintendent's Report

The superintendent may wish to make a report.

Recommendation: Information.

Suzanne Woolfolk, Director of Alternative Education; Tracey Runeare, Principal of Los Altos High School; Kip Glazer, Principal of Mountain View High School; and Julie Vo,

Director of Adult Education provided updates on various activities, meetings, and events occurring at their respective sites. Mr. Volta also shared reports on district-wide activities and developments.

9.4 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.

None

9.5 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.

No comments from the public were made.

10.0 Consolidated Motion - Items listed under Consolidated Motion are considered routine and will be approved/adopted by a single motion. However, any item may be removed from the consent agenda upon the request of any Board member and acted upon separately.

10.1 Personnel Report

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 **(Alex Levich)** 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**

Catherine Vonnegut	Yes
Thida Cornes	Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz	Yes
Vadim Katz	Yes
Alex Levich	Yes

10.2 Warrants, January, 2025

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 January, 2025.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Catherine Vonnegut)** Moved, Member **(Alex Levich)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve the warrants for the month of January, 2025'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Catherine Vonnegut	Yes
Thida Cornes	Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz	Yes
Vadim Katz	Yes
Alex Levich	Yes

10.3 Gifts And Donations

The Fiscal Services Department reports gifts and donations the district has received at each meeting of the Board of Trustees. REPORT \$1,100 from The John and Sandra Mahlmeister Family Fund to MVHS Choir \$500 from James Chien to MVHS Theatre Microphones \$5,000 from David S. Mintz to MVHS Robotics \$1,000 from Alex Barna to MVHS Choir and MVHS Softball \$5,000 from Anonymous to MVHS Microphones \$2,650 from Anonymous to MVHS Choir \$1,695 from Anonymous to MVHS Theatre Field Trip \$400 from Jennifer and Robert Chien to Middle College \$650 from Toni Rath and Maria Montez Rath 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 **(Alex Levich)** 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**

Catherine Vonnegut	Yes
Thida Cornes	Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz	Yes
Vadim Katz	Yes
Alex Levich	Yes

10.4 Minutes for the Board of Trustees Special, Closed and Regular Meetings Conducted on January 27, 2025.

Minutes for the Board of Trustees Special, Closed and Regular Meetings Conducted on January 27, 2025, are presented for approval.

Recommendation: Approve the minutes for the Board of Trustees special, closed and regular meeting conducted on January 27, 2025.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Catherine Vonnegut)** Moved, Member **(Alex Levich)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve the minutes for the Board of Trustees special, closed and regular meeting conducted on January 27, 2025'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes
Vadim Katz Yes
Alex Levich Yes

11.0 Items Pulled from Consolidated Motion for Discussion

N/A

12.0 Business/Action Items

12.1 Contract Amendment #1 Between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Cumming Management Group (RGM Kramer) to Provide Services Related to Program Management Agreement.

Mountain View Los Altos High School District is requesting approval of Contract Amendment #1 with Cumming Management Group (RGM Kramer): Contract increase to cover program support services from January 2025 through end of April 2025 shall be billed on Time & Material. The Program Management contract covers services such as preliminary design meetings, site walks during the planning stage, MVLA yearly contractors' pre-qualification, weekly/monthly/quarterly COC, facility sub-committee and construction meetings, maintaining/updating cash flow, expenditure reports and invoice database. Additional services related to Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) compliance and eligibility for the state School Facility Program (SFP) funding are also included in this contract. The program management budget was calculated at 1.5% of the total bond program, with annual fiscal year contracts for billing purposes. The original \$600,000 forecast for fiscal year 2024-2025 (FY25) was based on the historical monthly run rate of invoices. The additional amended amount is due to two primary factors - 1) the monthly run rate has been higher this fiscal year due to additional expenses related to the temporary kitchen at LAHS, which was not part of original master plan (we originally intended to do the work in a summer, thus not requiring a temporary kitchen), an increased number of projects in design phase, and also the time spent investigating the expanded scope for gym modernizations, which was not anticipated when the annual contract was developed last summer, and; 2) the program contract was due for renewal in May 2024, but due to several factors at the time, the decision was made to delay the renewal until the new fiscal year. Although the FY25 agreement was approved at the August 2024 board meeting, the invoiced costs include the expenses from the latter half of May and all of June 2024 (FY24).

Recommendation: Approve Contract Amendment #1 Between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Cumming Management Group (RGM Kramer) to Provide Services Related to Program Management Agreement.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Catherine Vonnegut)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Contract Amendment #1 Between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Cumming Management Group (RGM Kramer) to Provide Services Related to Program Management Agreement'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

Vadim Katz Yes
Alex Levich Yes

12.2 Award Bids for the MVHS Packard Hall Project and Approve Project Budget of \$2,500,000: Bid Package A – General Trades Contractor: Beals Martin and Associates, Inc. Bid Package D – Electrical & Low Voltage Trades

Contractor: Cupertino Electric, Inc. Bid Package I – Roofing Trades Contractor: Best Contracting Services, Inc.

Mountain View Los Altos High School District is requesting approval to award bid packages to the following and approval of \$2,500,000 budget for the MVHS Packard Hall Project: Beals Martin and Associates, Inc. Cupertino Electric, Inc. Best Contracting Services, Inc.

Recommendation: Approve Bid Packages to the following and approve project budget of \$2,500,000 for the MVHS Packard Hall project: Beals Martin and Associates, Inc. Cupertino Electric, Inc. Best Contracting Services, Inc.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Catherine Vonnegut)** Moved, Member **(Thida Cornes)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Bid Packages to the following and approve project budget of \$2,500,000 for the MVHS Packard Hall project: Beals Martin and Associates, Inc. Cupertino Electric, Inc. Best Contracting Services, Inc.'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **(5)** Nay: **(0)**. The motion **(carried)**. **(5) - (0)**

Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes
Vadim Katz Yes
Alex Levich Yes

12.3 Approval of purchase of HVAC units from Trane for LAHS Music Building Project.

District staff is requesting approval to purchase HVAC units from Trane for the Los Altos High School (LAHS) Music Building Project. The lead time for these items is over twenty weeks. Bid opening for the LAHS Music Building Project is scheduled for 2/20. This is scheduled to be a summer-only project, and the plan is to have the building ready for students and staff when they return to school in August. To prevent delays and have the best opportunity for the equipment to arrive on time to fit the construction schedule, staff is recommending the district purchase these items directly and provide them to the contractor to install. The cost of this equipment will therefore no longer be included in the bids. Pricing is based on Omnia Racine contract #3341.

Recommendation: Approval of purchase of HVAC units from Trane for LAHS Music Building Project.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Catherine Vonnegut)** Moved, Member **(Alex Levich)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approval of purchase of HVAC units from Trane for LAHS Music Building Project'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes

Vadim Katz Yes
Alex Levich Yes

12.4 Approval of purchase of Music Program-specific cabinets, platforms, chairs and stands from Wegner for LAHS Music Building Project.

District staff is requesting approval to purchase music program-specific cabinets, platforms, chairs and stands from Wenger for the Los Altos High School (LAHS) Music Building Project. The lead time for these items is over twenty weeks. Bid opening for the LAHS Music Building Project is scheduled for 2/20. This is scheduled to be a

summer-only project, and the plan is to have the building ready for students and staff when they return to school in August. To prevent delays and have the best opportunity for the equipment to arrive on time to fit the construction schedule, staff is recommending the district purchase these items directly and provide them to the contractor to install. The cost of this equipment will therefore no longer be included in the bids. Pricing is based on Omnia contract #R191204

Recommendation: Approve purchase of Music Program-specific cabinets, platforms, chairs and stands from Wegner for LAHS Music Building Project.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Catherine Vonnegut)** Moved, Member **(Alex Levich)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve purchase of Music Program-specific cabinets, platforms, chairs and stands from Wegner for LAHS Music Building Project'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz Yes
Vadim Katz Yes
Alex Levich Yes

12.5 Board Policy: Bylaw 9323: Meeting Conduct - Third Reading

This is the third read of the proposed MVLA Bylaw 9323: Meeting Conduct. This policy prioritizes meeting procedures, quorum, abstention and public participation at MVLA Board Meetings.

Recommendation: Approve MVLA Bylaw 9323.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Alex Levich)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve MVLA Bylaw 9323'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **3** Nay: **2**. The motion **(carried). 3 - 2**

Catherine Vonnegut Yes
Thida Cornes Yes
Esmeralda Ortiz No
Vadim Katz No
Alex Levich Yes

12.6 Annual Update to the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and the Local Control Funding Formula Budget Overview for Parents (BOP)

Senate Bill 114 (2023) added Education Code 52062 (a) (6) requiring the district to present a report on the annual update to the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and the local control funding formula Budget Overview for Parents (BOP) on or before February 28 each at a regularly scheduled meeting of the governing board or

body of the LEA. The report includes both of the following: All available midyear outcome data related to metrics identified in the current LCAP; and, All available midyear expenditure and implementation data on all actions identified in the current LCAP.

Recommendation: For Information.

Teri Faught, Associate Superintendent of Educational Services presented the Annual Mid-Year Update 2025 of the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP).

13.0 Board Operations

13.1 Communications/Correspondence/Discussion

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

Recommendation: Information.

The Board discussed the list of report requests created and how to proceed with ongoing data and measures. Especially, what systems and process are in place to understand what is working and what is not.

13.2 Legislative Update

The Superintendent will share updates on legislation relevant or of interest to education.

Recommendation: For information.

None

13.3 Date, Time and Place of Next Meeting

The Board of Trustees will meet next: Regular Board Meeting - Monday, March 3, 2025, District Office, Board Room

Future Board Meeting dates are:

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, March 17, 2025, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, April 21, 2025, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, May 5, 2025, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, May 18, 2025, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, June 9, 2025, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, June 16, 2025, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Recommendation: For information.

14.0 Resume Closed Session if Needed

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

Recommendation: Information/action.

President Ortiz ended the regular session and announced the Board would resume the Closed session.

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

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

Recommendation: Information/action.

President Ortiz reported that no action was taken in Closed Session.

16.0 Adjournment

16.1 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.

President Ortiz adjourned the meeting at 10:35 PM.

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*Minutes approved on **March 3, 2025:***

Dr. Esmeralda Ortiz, President

Alex Levich, Clerk

Eric Volta, Secretary
