

MOUNTAIN VIEW WHISMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING**

750-A San Pierre Way
Mountain View, CA 94043
5:00 p.m.

May 21, 2015

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Chiang at 5:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Chiang, Mr. Coladonato, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Nelson, Ms. Wheeler
Absent:

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Nelson and seconded by Ms. Wheeler to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Mr. Chiang, Mr. Coladonato, Mr. Lambert, Ms. Wheeler
Noes: Mr. Nelson

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

No member of the public was present to address the Board.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 5:07 p.m.

SESSION: *Public*

Employment

Superintendent;

Conference with Labor

Negotiators; Public

Employee

Discipline/Dismissal/

Release; Conference

with Real Property

Negotiators

**RECONVENE OPEN
SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Torban Kroeger and Akshay Menon.

Closed Session Report

Mr. Chiang reported that no action was taken in Closed Session.

CONSENT AGENDA

*Personnel Report;
Minutes for April 30,
2015; Contracts;
Board Policy and
Administrative
Regulation No. 5141.52,
Suicide Prevention and
Mental Health Promotion
(First Reading)*

A motion was made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mr. Wheeler to approve all items on the Consent Calendar with exception of the Contracts list.

The approved **Personnel Items** are listed on the attached Personnel Report.

Ayes: Mr. Chiang, Mr. Coladonato, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Nelson, Ms. Wheeler
Noes:

A motion was made by Ms. Wheeler and seconded by Mr. Lambert to approve the Contracts list as presented.

Ayes: Mr. Chiang, Mr. Coladonato, Mr. Lambert, Ms. Wheeler
Noes: Mr. Nelson

COMMUNICATIONS

Employee Organizations

No member of the Mountain View Educators Association wished to address the Board.

No member of the California School Employees Association was present to address the Board.

District Committees

No report at this time.

Superintendent

Dr. Skelly introduced the new principal of Landels School, Stephen Chesley.

**COMMUNITY
COMMENTS**

The following members of the public addressed the Board.

REVIEW AND ACTION

*Resolution No.
1561.5/15, A Resolution
of The Board of
Trustees of the
Mountain View Whisman
School District
Authorizing the Issuance
of Mountain View
Whisman School District
(Santa Clara County,
California) 2015 General
Obligation Refunding
Bond*

A motion was made by Mr. Coladonato and seconded by Mr. Nelson to approve and adopt Resolution No. 1561.5/15, A Resolution of The Board of Trustees of the Mountain View Whisman School District Authorizing the Issuance of Mountain View Whisman School District (Santa Clara County, California) 2015 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, selecting scenario 2.

Ayes: Mr. Chiang, Mr. Coladonato, Mr. Nelson, Ms. Wheeler
Noes: Mr. Lambert

REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

Boundary Advisory Task Force Recommendations

The Board heard recommendations from the Boundary Advisory Task Force.

The following members of the public addressed the Board:

- Veronica Reginaldo, regarding re-opening of one of two closed schools in Whisman/Slater area
- Ken Brent, regarding 18 children including my own who will be affected by the redistricting need for neighborhood schools on par with Huff. Reduced class sizes
- Liz Muertos, BATF recommendations
- Bob Weaver, regarding opening a school in the Whisman/Slater area
- Ash Gupta, regarding oppose rezone of Huff school – house price will fall drastically. Not equitable to Huff A vs. Huff main. Families in Huff A will get devastated due to falling price and not being able to afford tuition of private school.
- Holly Leonard, regarding please open a 9th school, please consider Theuerkauf and PACT shared campus
- Christina Oran, regarding response to BATF's argument that 9 schools is untenable
- Shikha Sehgal, regarding we will be forced to move out of the neighborhood if the Slater/Whisman school is not opened
- Joel Lachter, regarding it seems to be the problem isn't the 8 schools, it is where they are. You are putting two schools in the Castro site where they don't fit. Instead you could move Theuerkauf to Whisman and Castro to Theuerkauf for PACT or DI to Slater or Whisman
- Dr. Aamir Farooqui, regarding new wing at Theuerkauf will cause too much traffic and cause security problems for current campus
- Vikram Brar, regarding we don't want our school boundary to change. We don't agree with the assessment made. We should get our own school or stay with the current school boundary
- Steve Bell, regarding please open a new school for Whisman
- Susanna Mlynarczyk-Evans, regarding I support BATF recommendation. Opening a 9th school will negatively impact the existing schools and disproportionately affect students who can least afford it.
- Vicki Chang, regarding please open a school in Whisman/Slater: invest in our children's future
- Heidi Smith, quality education at all schools
- Eliza Herrera, regarding reactive to change and slow in process. Issue is funding not class size. Small ratio between teacher and student entitles families currently in private schools
- Joel Riley, regarding boundary
- Gary Rosen

A motion was made by Mr. Nelson and seconded by Ms. Wheeler to end discussion on this item.

Ayes: Mr. Nelson, Ms. Wheeler

Noes: Mr. Chiang, Mr. Coladonato, Mr. Lambert

The motion failed and discussion continued.

*District Facilities
Committee
Recommendations*

The Board heard recommendations from the District Facilities Committee.

The following members of the public addressed the Board:

- Andrea Maas, regarding joint statement from Stevenson community
- Liz Huertas
- Leslie McClellan, regarding merge Theuerkauf with Stevenson
- Joel Lachter, regarding what about moving Castro? Why do rich people at Huff get to walk to school but not the not so rich people in the Whisman neighborhood?
- Lezlie Ruzon, regarding Theuerkauf was built to be a neighborhood school. We don't have the parking/driveways to support PACT plus our current population
- Sierra Desrosiers, regarding Theuekauf
- Peter Darrah, regarding DFC
- Melchor Tepepa

A motion was made by Mr. Nelson and seconded by Mr. Chiang to extend the meeting until midnight.

Ayes: Mr. Chiang, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Nelson, Ms. Wheeler

Noes: Mr. Coladonato

*Superintendent Search
Update*

The Board provided an update on the search for a new superintendent.

*Local Control
Accountability Plan
Update*

The Board heard an update on the Local Control Accountability Plan.

**BOARD UPDATES/
LEGISLATIVE
REPORTS**

Mr. Lambert:

1. No report at this time.

Mr. Coladonato:

1. No report at this time.

Mr. Chiang:

1. No report at this time.

Ms. Wheeler:

1. Attended the annual Healthier Kids Symposium.
2. Attended the annual PTA Council luncheon.
3. Attended the regular monthly meeting of the Strong Start committee at the Santa Clara County Office of Education.
4. Attended a meeting of the Boundary Advisory Task Force.
5. Attended a forum sponsored by Silicon Valley Education Foundation titled "A-G: College Begins in Middle School."
6. Attended the biannual convention of the League of Women Voters of

California, including going to a caucus meeting on the upcoming LWVC study on "Public Higher Education in California."

7. Attended the annual Reorganization of Officers dinner meeting of the Santa Clara County School Boards Association.
8. Had my regular 1:1 meeting with Dr. Skelly.

Mr. Nelson:

1. No report at this time.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

The Board discussed the following three items that were proposed by Mr. Coladonato:

- Affordable, high-quality two-stream schools, for which Mr. Nelson provided a second but no other trustee supported the request
- New teacher hiring criteria and processes, which had no support from other trustees
- Revisiting the inter-district transfer policy, which had no support from other trustees

Mr. Nelson left the meeting at 11:46 p.m.

FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES

Date	Anticipated Topics (subject to change)
June 4, 2015 Regular Meeting	Retirement reception, Employees of the Year, Years of Service, Budget Presentation, Parcel Tax Oversight Committee Report, LCAP Input and Public Hearing, Boundary Advisory Task Force and District Facilities Committee Final Recommendations, Schematic Designs for Castro School
June 18, 2015 Regular Meeting	Budget Public Hearing and Approval, LCAP Approval, Castro School Design Approval

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:52 p.m.

Clerk of the Board