



*Mountain View Los Altos Union High School District Minutes
for the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting on Monday,
February 12, 2024 at 6:00 PM Closed Session and
7:00 PM Regular Session
District Office Board Room,
1299 Bryant Avenue, Mountain View, CA 94040*

Board members present: Sanjay Dave
Catherine Vonnegut
Phil Faillace
Thida Cornes
Esmeralda Ortiz

Board 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.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Catherine Vonnegut)** Moved, Member **(Thida Cornes)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Call to Order'. 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

2.0 Closed Session Agenda

2.1 Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release Pursuant to Government Code §54597 - One Potential Case

Recommendation: For information/action.

ORIGINAL - Motion

No action taken.

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

Recommendation: Information/action.
ORIGINAL - Motion

No action taken.

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

Recommendation: Approve the Personnel Action Report.

ORIGINAL - Motion

No action taken.

3.0 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 made.

4.0 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.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Catherine Vonnegut)** Moved, Member **(Thida Cornes)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Information/action'. 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

Closed Session began at 6:00 PM.

5.0 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.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Catherine Vonnegut)** Moved, Member **(Thida Cornes)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Reconvene to Open Session'. 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

The Board reconvened open session at 7:07 PM.

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.

Board President Dave let the Pledge of Allegiance and took roll call noting all Board members 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 **(Thida Cornes)** 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

The Board of Trustees approved the Agenda.

8.0 Report Out Action Taken in Closed Session

8.1 Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release Pursuant to Government Code §54597 - One Potential Case

Recommendation: For information/action.

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

Recommendation: Information/action.

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

Recommendation: Approve the Personnel Action Report.

No action was taken on 8.1 through 8.3 in closed session.

9.0 Board Member Reports

9.1 Board Member Reports

Trustees may wish to give a report.

Recommendation: Information.

Trustees Sanjay Dave, Catherine Vonnegut and Thida Cornes reported on their respective meetings and school wide activities.

10.0 Student Board Member Reports

10.1 Student Board Member Reports

Student Board members may wish to make a report.

Recommendation: Information.

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

11.0 Students of the Month

11.1 Students of the Month: Iman Zia (January SOTM - Mountain View High School), Melanie Marin Martinez (Los Altos High School) and Monserrat Hernandez Estevez (Mountain View High School)

The Board of Education will recognize Students of the Month, Iman Zia (January SOTM - Mountain View High School), Melanie Marin Martinez (Los Altos High School) and Monserrat Hernandez Estevez (Mountain View High School)

January Students of the Month, Iman Zia (Mountain View High School), Melanie Marin Martinez (Los Altos High School) and Monserrat Hernandez Estevez (Mountain View High School) were recognized by the Board Trustees, Student Board Representatives, Principals and Superintendent Dr. Nellie Meyer. Their families were also in attendance.

12.0 Superintendent's Report

12.1 Superintendent's Report

The superintendent may wish to make a report.

Recommendation: Information.

Superintendent Dr. Nellie Meyer reported on updates, highlights and activities in all the district wide sites.

13.0 Communications

13.1 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 associations were in attendance.

14.0 Public Comment

14.1 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.

There was one community member who requested to speak about the Special Education program at the Mountain View Los Altos High School District.

15.0 Consolidated Motion

15.1 Items listed under Consolidated Motion are considered routine and will be approved/adopted by a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items; however, any item may be removed from the consent agenda upon the request of any member of the Board and acted upon separately.

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Recommendation: Approve all Consolidated Motion items.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Thida Cornes**) Moved, Member (**Esmeralda Ortiz**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve all Consolidated Motion items'. 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

15.2 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 **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** 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

15.3 Resolution 22/23-XX: 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-XX: Resolution Continuing Board of Trustees Authority to Hold Virtual Meetings Pursuant to AB 361.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Resolution No. 22/23-XX: 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

15.4 Independent Contractor Agreement Between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Flow Translations.

Amended Independent Contractor Agreement, Flow Translations
Independent Contractor Agreement Between Mountain View Los Altos High School District and Flow Translations. Flow Translations provides in person interpretation services and translates IEP documents in various languages throughout the school year.

Recommendation: Approve the agreement with Flow Translations for the 2023-2024 school year.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve the agreement with Flow Translations for the 2023-2024 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

15.5 Mountain View High School's Performing Arts Trip to Chicago, IL, April 4 - 8, 2024 to Participate in the Chicago Performance Tour

The final itinerary was received for 70 students and 8 chaperones to travel to Chicago, IL, April 4 - 8, 2024 to Participate in the Chicago Performance Tour. Per Board Policy 6153, students will miss two school days.

Recommendation: Approve Mountain View High School's Performing Arts Trip to Chicago, IL, April 4 - 8, 2024 to Participate in the Chicago Performance Tour

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Mountain View High School's Performing Arts Trip to Chicago, IL, April 4 - 8, 2024 to Participate in the Chicago Performance Tour'. 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

15.6 Mountain View High School's Choir Trip to Indonesia, April 6-17, 2024, to Participate in Global Music Exchange and Performances

The final itinerary was received for 48 students and 8 chaperones to travel to Indonesia, April 6-17, 2024, to participate in a global music exchange. Per Board Policy 6153, students will miss three school days as this trip concludes over Spring Break.

Recommendation: Approve Mountain View High School's Choir Trip to Indonesia, April 6-17, 2024, to Participate in Global Music Exchange and Performances.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Mountain View High School's Choir Trip to Indonesia, April 6-17, 2024, to Participate in Global Music Exchange and Performances'. 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

15.7 Los Altos High School's Robotics Competition Trip to Nampa, Idaho, March 20-24, 2024

A final request was received for 30 students from Los Altos High School to travel to Nampa, Idaho on March 20-24, 2024, to attend a robotics competition. Per Board Policy 6153, students will miss two and a half school days of instruction and will make arrangements with their teachers prior to their trip.

Recommendation: Approve Los Altos High School's Robotics Competition Trip to Nampa, Idaho, March 20-24, 2024.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Los Altos High School's Robotics Competition Trip to Nampa, Idaho, March 20-24, 2024'. 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

15.8 Los Altos High School's BEAM Trip to Heidelberg, Germany, March 30 - April 6, 2024 to Participate in an International BEAM Exchange.

The final itinerary was received for 8 students and 2 chaperones to travel to Heidelberg, Germany, March 30 - April 6, 2024, to participate in an International field trip exchange for LAHS BEAM students. Per Board Policy 6153, students will miss five school days of instruction and will make arrangements with their teachers prior to their trip.

Recommendation: Approve Los Altos High School's BEAM Trip to Heidelberg, Germany, March 30 - April 6, 2024 to Participate in an International BEAM Exchange.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Los Altos High School's BEAM Trip to Heidelberg, Germany, March 30 - April 6, 2024 to Participate in an International BEAM Exchange'. 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

15.9 Mountain View High School's Choir and Instrumental Music Trip to Hawaii, February 17 - 23, 2024 to Participate in a Cultural and Music Exchange

The final itinerary was received for 140 students and 12 chaperones to travel to Oahu, Hawaii, February 17-23, 2024, to participate in a cultural and music exchange. Students will not miss any days of school as this trip falls during winter break. This trip was originally planned for Maui, Hawaii but due to the wildfires that burned in Lahaina, a decision was made to move the exchange to Oahu. Kamehameha elementary school in Lahaina, where the music exchange was set to happen, was destroyed in the fire. With the assistance of Maui teachers, a performance tour in Oahu has been planned. The choir plans to go back to Maui in a couple of years not only to follow through on the plans made with those educators, but to support them as they rebuild.

Recommendation: Approve Mountain View High School's Choir and Instrumental Music Trip to Hawaii, February 17 - 23, 2024 to participate in a cultural and music exchange.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Mountain View High School's Choir and Instrumental Music Trip to Hawaii, February 17 - 23, 2024 to participate in a cultural and music exchange'. 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

15.10 English Learner Reclassification Criteria

MVLA English Learner Reclassification Criteria

Reclassification is the process whereby a student is reclassified from English learner status to fluent English proficient (RFEP) status after meeting various linguistic and academic criteria set by the state and district. MVLA has revised its reclassification criteria and procedures based on criteria set forth by California Department of Education (CDE) guidelines. Two changes were made to our reclassification criteria 1.) From the requirement ELPAC (English Language Proficiency Assessment for California): "Overall Summative ELPAC Performance Level 4" (there was language before with possible 3's being able to RFEP). 2.) From the teacher evaluation, we added "Including, but not limited to, a review of the student's curriculum mastery. Teacher's evaluation indicates adequate progress in curriculum mastery." Previously, we only reclassified based on letter grades.

Recommendation: Approve the MVLA English Learner Reclassification Criteria

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve the MVLA English Learner Reclassification Criteria'. 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

15.11 Declaration of Sale or Disposal of Surplus Property

Education Code sections 17545-17546 authorize school districts to sell or dispose of district property that is not required for school purposes or is no longer suitable for school use. Surplus property may be sold at a publicly noticed auction conducted by district employees. Items for which no qualified bid is received, or that are less than \$2,500 in value, may be sold at private sale without advertising. Property of insufficient value to defray the cost of sale may be donated to a charitable organization or disposed of. Money received from the sale of surplus property may be placed in the district's general or reserve fund. The District owns the following items that are beyond their useful life and now need to be surplus. The following individual items have been determined to be valued at less than \$2,500: 1 baseball backstop turtle 4 Apple MacBook Pros 1 Intel MacPro

Recommendation: Approve declaration of sale or disposal of surplus property and authorize the Superintendent to sell or otherwise dispose of the property consistent with Education Code sections 17545-17546.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve declaration of sale or disposal of surplus property and authorize the Superintendent to sell or otherwise dispose of the property consistent with Education Code sections 17545-17546'. 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

15.12 Warrants, January, 2024

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, 2024.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve the warrants for the month of January, 2024'. 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

15.13 Gifts And Donations

The Fiscal Services Department reports gifts and donations the district has received at each meeting of the Board of Trustees. REPORT \$500 from Mathew Family Charitable Fund to MVLA \$200 from Northrop Grumman Foundation to MVHS \$1,000 from Byong Mok and Carol Kim Oh to Foothill Middle College \$5,000 from Mintz Living Trust Giving Fund to MVHS \$500 from Danaher Foundation to MVHS \$200 from Erin Hammel to LAHS \$4,000 from Randy and Debra Robinson to LAHS \$4,000 from Randy and Debra Robinson to MVHS \$10,000 from Olander Family Foundation to LAHS

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 **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** 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

15.14 Minutes for the Board of Trustees, Closed and Regular Meeting Conducted on January 22, 2024.

Minutes for the Board of Trustees closed and regular meeting conducted on January 22, 2024, are presented for approval.

Recommendation: Approve the minutes for the Board of Trustees closed and regular meeting conducted on January 22, 2024.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Thida Cornes)** Moved, Member **(Esmeralda Ortiz)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve the minutes for the Board of Trustees closed and regular meeting conducted on January 22, 2024'. 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

All consolidated motion items were approved.

16.0 Items Pulled from Consolidated Motion for Discussion

16.1 Public Hearing: Mountain View Los Altos High School District and the Classified School Employees Association (CSEA) Contract Reopeners for 2023-2024.

The Board of Trustees has set this time aside to hear public comments on the MVLA and CSEA mutual contract reopeners for 2023-24.

Recommendation: Conduct a Public Hearing

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (xxxxx) Moved, Member (xxxxx) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Conduct a Public Hearing'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: (xx) Nay: (xx). The motion (). (xx) - (xx)

16.2 Mountain View Los Altos High School District (MVLA) and the Classified School Employees Association (CSEA) Contract Reopeners for 2023-24

The Board of Trustees will consider approving the 2023-2024 mutual contract reopeners between MVLA and CSEA.

Recommendation: Approve the mutual contract reopeners.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (xxxxx) Moved, Member (xxxxx) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve the mutual contract reopeners'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: (xx) Nay: (xx). The motion (). (xx) - (xx)

These items were pulled from the Agenda at the request of Leyla Benson, Associate Superintendent and the CSEA negotiating team. They will be presented at a future time.

17.0 Business/Action Items

17.1 Annual Reviews - Los Altos High School & Mountain View High School

Los Altos High School & Mountain View High School's administrative teams will present their annual review to the Board. This year's focus includes analyzing and sharing the school's programs, progress, and impact on student learning and wellness.

Recommendation: To accept the Annual Reviews for Los Altos High School & Mountain View High School.

The Annual Reviews were presented by principal Tracey Runeare of Los Altos High School, and the Assistant Principal team and by principal Kip Glazer of Mountain View High School, and the Assistant Principal team.

The Board posed questions about each site and the teams responded as needed.

There was no vote take as this was an informational presentation only and was listed incorrectly.

17.2 Adult Ed Proposal to reduce credits for Adult HSD

In order to remove barriers and help adult learners advance towards their goal of earning a high school diploma, the MVLA Adult School is proposing a reduction in the total number of credits required to obtain the adult high school diploma in the MVLA UHSD. We propose to reduce the number of credits required from 200 to 150, starting with the 2024-25 school year.

Recommendation: Staff is recommending the Board of Education to approve MVLA Adult School's new Equity-focused graduation credit requirement model. This model seeks to remove unnecessary barriers for adult students and is more aligned to the graduation requirements of 8 other adult schools in our local region. At present, MVLA

Adult School students are required to complete 50-70 more credits compared to neighboring adult schools. This steep credit requirement can prolong an adult HSD student's course of study by another 1-2 years. As a result, adult students lose motivation to persist in the program. This delay can also create hardships for those with financial barriers who need to work in order to sustain themselves and their families. Not having a HS diploma closes off access to important opportunities such as grants and scholarships, post secondary education, CTE pathways, and career advancement. The proposed credit reduction areas will not impact the high standards of our district. Core subject requirements will remain unchanged. Electives can be reduced by 40 credits. Arts/World Languages requirements can be reduced by 10 credits since a large percentage of adult learners can speak another language. In total, the MVLA Adult School will require adult learners to earn 150 credits in order to receive a high school diploma from the MVLA district. This will be more in align with other adult schools in our local region.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Catherine Vonnegut)** Moved, Member **(Thida Cornes)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Staff is recommending the Board of Education to approve MVLA Adult School's new Equity-focused graduation credit requirement model. This model seeks to remove unnecessary barriers for adult students and is more aligned to the graduation requirements of 8 other adult schools in our local region. At present, MVLA Adult School students are required to complete 50-70 more credits compared to neighboring adult schools. This steep credit requirement can prolong an adult HSD student's course of study by another 1-2 years. As a result, adult students lose motivation to persist in the program. This delay can also create hardships for those with financial barriers who need to work in order to sustain themselves and their families. Not having a HS diploma closes off access to important opportunities such as grants and scholarships, post secondary education, CTE pathways, and career advancement. The proposed credit reduction areas will not impact the high standards of our district. Core subject requirements will remain unchanged. Electives can be reduced by 40 credits. Arts/World Languages requirements can be reduced by 10 credits since a large percentage of adult learners can speak another language. In total, the MVLA Adult School will require adult learners to earn 150 credits in order to receive a high school diploma from the MVLA district. This will be more in align with other adult schools in our local region'. 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

The Board of Trustees approved the Adult Ed proposal to change credits. Trustee Thida Cornes added an amendment that it be approved as written by Director Julie Vo of Adult Education. The item passed with an amendment.

18.0 Board Operations

18.1 Board Suggestions for Future Board Reports/Meetings

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

Recommendation: For information.

18.2 Date, Time and Place of Next Meeting

The Board of Trustees will meet next: Regular Board Meeting - Monday, March 4, 2024, at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Future Board Meeting dates are:

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, March 18, 2024, at MVLA District Office, Board Room
Regular Board Meeting - Monday, April 15, 2024, at MVLA District Office, Board Room
Regular Board Meeting - Monday, May 6, 2024, at MVLA District Office, Board Room
Regular Board Meeting - Monday, May 20, 2024, at MVLA District Office, Board Room
Regular Board Meeting - Monday, June 3, 2024, at MVLA District Office, Board Room
Regular Board Meeting - Friday, June 7, 2023 at MVLA District Office, Board Room

Recommendation: For information.

Trustee Catherine Vonnegut would like a presentation on what is and how is constructive training done.

Trustee Sanjay Dave would like an overview of Athletics/EPED at both Los Altos and Mountain View High Schools along with what opportunities are given for all to play and how are students impacted. Would like to know status of where the schools are at.

Trustee Thida Cornes would like further discussion on Special Education, Least Restrictive Environment and meeting A through G requirements for as many as possible.

19.0 Adjournment

19.1 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 **(Catherine Vonnegut)** Moved, Member **(Thida Cornes)** 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
Esmeralda Ortiz	Yes

The Board meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.



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Minutes approved on March 18, 2024.



Dr. Nellie Meyer, Ed. D., Secretary

Thida Cornes

Thida Cornes, Clerk

Esmeralda Ortiz

Esmeralda Ortiz, President

Signature: 
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Signature: 
Esmeralda Ortiz (Mar 26, 2024 21:50 PDT)
Email: esmeralda.ortiz@mvla.net