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# Mt. Diablo Unified School District Governing Board

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## Approved- Board Meeting Minutes

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MT DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Wednesday, April 26, 2023 (6:00 PM)

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#### ROLL CALL

Debra Mason  
Linda Mayo  
Cherise Khaund  
Erin McFerrin  
Keisha Nzewi

#### 1.0 Call to Order

President Nzewi called the meeting to order at 5:02pm

##### 1.1 Call to Order

The Board President will call the meeting to order.

**Recommendation:** Call the meeting to order.

##### 1.2 Conduct Roll Call

**Recommendation:** The Board President will conduct roll call.

#### 2.0 Public Comment

There were no public comments

##### **2.1 Public Comments: The public may address the Board concerning items that are scheduled for discussion during Closed Session only.**

The public may address the Board concerning items that are 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:** Hear public comment(s).

#### 3.0 Closed Session Agenda

##### **3.1 Negotiations - The Board may discuss negotiations or provide direction to its representatives regarding represented employees, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6.**

Negotiations - The Board may discuss negotiations or provide direction to its representatives regarding represented employees, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency negotiators: Dr. Adam Clark, Dr. John Rubio, Dr. Lisa

Gonzales, Dr. Wendi Aghily, Jennifer Sachs, Dr. Dan Scudero, and legal counsel;  
Agencies: MDEA, DMA, MDSPA, CSEA, CST Local 1 and Teamsters Local 856  
**Recommendation:** Information

#### 4.0 Adjourn to Closed Session

The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 5:03pm

##### 4.1 Adjourn to Closed Session

The Board President will adjourn the meeting to closed session.

**Recommendation:** Adjourn to closed session.

#### 5.0 Reconvene Open Session

Open session reconvened at 6:04pm

##### 5.1 Reconvene Open Session

The Board of Education will reconvene Open Session.

**Recommendation:** Reconvene Open Session.

#### 6.0 Preliminary Business

##### 6.1 Pledge of Allegiance

The Board President will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Recommendation:** Lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

##### 6.2 Review and Potential Approval of Minutes for Regular Board Meeting

Board Meeting Minutes April 12, 2023

Minutes have been prepared for the board meeting on April 12, 2023 and are presented for review and approval.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting April 12, 2023.

##### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Cherise Khaund)** Moved, Member **(Linda Mayo)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting April 12, 2023'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes

Linda Mayo Yes

Cherise Khaund Yes

Erin McFerrin Yes

Keisha Nzewi Yes

##### 6.3 Review and Potential Approval of the Agenda

The Governing Board may reorder or delete items within the agenda.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the agenda.

##### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Debra Mason)** Moved, Member **(Cherise Khaund)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the agenda'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes

Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

## 7.0 Report Out Action Taken in Closed Session

### 7.1 Negotiations - The Board may discuss negotiations or provide direction to its representatives regarding represented employees, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6.

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**Recommendation:** Information

The Governing Board received information.

### 7.2 Discipline, Dismissal, Release or Reassignment of Public Employee (Gov. Code Sec. 54957(b)(1))

**Recommendation:** Information/action.

In Closed Session, by a vote of 5-0, the Governing Board took action to accept the resignation of one (1) teacher per an agreement.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

**ORIGINAL** motion 'Information/action'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay:**0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

### 7.3 Admission of Student #C-23 to Regular Schools in the Mt. Diablo Unified School District

Admission of Student #C-23 to Regular Schools in the Mt. Diablo Unified School District  
**Recommendation:** A move to approve the admission of Student #C-23 to Regular Schools in the Mt. Diablo Unified School District

**ORIGINAL** motion 'In Closed Session by a vote of 5-0, the board voted to approve the Admission of Student #C-23 to Regular Schools in the Mt. Diablo Unified School District Prior to readmission, Student #C-23 is required to meet the following conditions:

Participate in twenty (20) hours of individual counseling to address anger management, decision-making, and show evidence of a successful school experience, with no suspendible infractions, maintain at least a 2.0 GPA, and have a 90% attendance rate. '. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**.

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes

Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

## 8.0 Public Comment

### **8.1 Public Comment: The Public May Address the Board Regarding any Item Not on the Agenda.**

Public Comment: The public may address the Board regarding any item within the jurisdiction of the Board of Education of the Mt. Diablo Unified School District that is not on this agenda. 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. If there are multiple speakers on any one subject, the public comment period may be moved to the end of the meeting. Speakers are not allowed to yield their time.

**Recommendation:** Listen to Public Comment.

## 9.0 Communications

### **9.1 District Organizations: At regular Board meetings, a single spokesperson of each recognized District organization may make a brief presentation. Items are limited to those which are informational.**

At regular Board meetings, a single spokesperson of each recognized District organization may make a brief presentation following the Consent Agenda. Items are limited to those which are informational.

**Recommendation:** Listen to Communications.

## 10.0 Recognitions and Resolutions

### **10.1 Review and Potential Approval of Resolution 22/23 (51) Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month**

Resolution 22/23 (51): Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage

The Mt. Diablo Unified School District Board of Education will consider the adoption of Resolution 22/23 (51) in Recognition of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

**Recommendation:** Move to adopt Resolution 22/23 (51): Recognition of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

**\*\*Student Board Member Anahi Nava Flores made the motion**

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Keisha Nzewi)** Moved, Member **(Cherise Khaund)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to adopt Resolution 22/23 (51): Recognition of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes

Keisha Nzewi Yes

### **10.2 Review and Potential Approval of Resolution 22/23 (52) California Day of the Teacher and National Teacher Appreciation Week**

Resolution 22/23 (52): California Day of the Teacher

The Mt. Diablo Unified School District Board of Education wishes to adopt a resolution acknowledging the lifelong influence that teachers can have on the lives of our children. Furthermore, the Board of Education wishes to express appreciation for the creativity, dedication, and talent of teachers in the Mt. Diablo Unified School District and declare the day of May 10, 2023 as the Day of the Teacher. and the week of May 8-12, 2023 as National Teacher Appreciation Week.

**Recommendation:** Move to adopt Resolution 22/23 (52): California Day of the Teacher and National Teacher Appreciation Week.

**\*\*Student Board Member Anahi Nava Flores seconded the motion**

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Erin McFerrin)** Moved, Member **(Keisha Nzewi)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to adopt Resolution 22/23 (52): California Day of the Teacher and National Teacher Appreciation Week'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes

Linda Mayo Yes

Cherise Khaund Yes

Erin McFerrin Yes

Keisha Nzewi Yes

### **10.3 Review and Potential Approval of Resolution 22/23 (53) Recognizing May as Jewish American Heritage Month**

Resolution 22/23 (53): Recognizing May as Jewish American Heritage Month

The Mt. Diablo Unified School District Board of Education will consider the adoption of Resolution 22/23 (53): Recognizing May as Jewish American Heritage Month.

**Recommendation:** Move to adopt Resolution 22/23 (53): Recognizing May as Jewish American Heritage Month

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Cherise Khaund)** Moved, Member **(Linda Mayo)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to adopt Resolution 22/23 (53): Recognizing May as Jewish American Heritage Month'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes

Linda Mayo Yes

Cherise Khaund Yes

Erin McFerrin Yes

Keisha Nzewi Yes

### **10.4 Review and Potential Approval for Resolution 22/23 (54) in Recognition of School Lunch Hero Day**

May 5, 2023, is School Lunch Hero Day. This is in recognition of district Food & Nutrition Services Department staff and the heroic work that has been done in the 2022-2023 school year.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve Resolution 22/23 (54) in Recognition of School Lunch Hero Day.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve Resolution 22/23 (54) in Recognition of School Lunch Hero Day'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

## 11.0 Public Employee Appointment

### 11.1 Review and Potential Approval of Certificated Personnel Appointment: Elementary Vice Principal

Interviews were conducted and a candidate has been selected to fill the position of Elementary Vice Principal, site to be determined at a later date, for the 2023-2024 school year.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the appointment of Elementary Vice Principal.  
**AMENDED - Motion**

Member **(Cherise Khaund)** Moved, Member **(Linda Mayo)** Seconded to approve the **AMENDED** motion 'Move to approve the appointment of Madyson Benz as Elementary Vice Principal'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

## 12.0 Reports/Information

### 12.1 Presentation in Support of Maintaining Concord High School Mascot

Concord High School has been undergoing a review to change the current mascot of Minutemen. Alumni and community members against the change will be presenting.

**Recommendation:** Information only.

## 13.0 Board Member Reports

### 13.1 Board Member Reports

Board Members may choose to report out their activities.

**Recommendation:** Information.

## 14.0 Superintendent's Report

### 14.1 Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent may choose to report out on activities.

**Recommendation:** Information.

## 15.0 Consent Agenda

### 15.1 Approval of Items listed under Consent Agenda.

Items listed under Consent Agenda 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.

**Recommendation:** Approve all Consent Agenda items.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve all Consent Agenda items'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes

Linda Mayo Yes

Cherise Khaund Yes

Erin McFerrin Yes

Keisha Nzewi Yes

### 15.2 Review and Potential Approval of the Recommended Action for Certificated Personnel

List of certificated hires, leaves of absence, resignations, and retirements. See attached for a detailed list of certificated hires, leaves of absence, resignations, and retirements.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the recommended action for certificated personnel.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the recommended action for certificated personnel'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes

Linda Mayo Yes

Cherise Khaund Yes

Erin McFerrin Yes

Keisha Nzewi Yes

### 15.3 Review and Potential Approval of the Recommended Action for Classified Personnel

List of classified hires, leave of absences, resignations, and retirements. Information of classified hires, leave of absences, resignations, and retirements for consideration.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the recommended action for classified personnel.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the recommended action for classified personnel'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes

Linda Mayo Yes

Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

#### **15.4 Review and Potential Ratification of the Independent Service Contract between Mt. Diablo Unified School District Valhalla Elementary and Marin County Office of Education Walker Creek Ranch**

Staff is seeking ratification of the Independent Service Contract between Mt. Diablo Unified School District Valhalla Elementary and Marin County Office of Education Walker Creek Ranch. Valhalla students attended the Outdoor Education program March 20 - 23 2023.

**Recommendation:** Move to ratify the Independent Service Contract between Mt. Diablo Unified School District Valhalla Elementary and Marin County Office of Education Walker Creek Ranch.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to ratify the Independent Service Contract between Mt. Diablo Unified School District Valhalla Elementary and Marin County Office of Education Walker Creek Ranch'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

#### **15.5 Reveiw and Potential Approval of Purchase of Furniture for Foothill Middle School**

Foothill Middle School is seeking approval of furniture to be purchased for classrooms that have been opened due to an increase in their student population. The cumulative total for the vendor Virco is \$57,867.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the purchase of furniture for Foothill Middle School

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the purchase of furniture for Foothill Middle School'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

#### **15.6 Review and Potential Approval of Illuminate Education Contract**

To address several areas of concern highlighted in the Systemis Instructional Review (SIR) and CCEIS reports, staff is presenting a renewal of a contract with Illuminate Education (by Renaissance Learning) to address the continued assessment, monitoring and data analysis needs of the district. The data and assessment management system is essential to our work in improving student achievement and student outcomes and monitoring student growth.



**Recommendation:** Move to approve the 3 Year Illuminate Education Contract.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the 3 Year Illuminate Education Contract'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**15.7 Review and Potential Approval of Three Year Renewal of BrainPop Digital Licensing for TK-12 Students and Teachers**

The digital licensing will be available to all students and teachers TK-12 for use in class and at home. BrainPop licensing includes BrainPop, BrainPop Jr., BrainPop Espanol, BrainPop Francais, and BrainPop ELL to support all students across multiple content areas for three years ending in June 2026. BrainPop provides digital content for students in grades K–12, along with quizzes and teaching materials, covering the subjects of science, social studies, English, math, engineering and technology, health, arts and music. Teachers are able to use the content as a supplement to the adopted curriculum.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve three year renewal of BrainPop digital licensing for TK-12 students and teachers.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve three year renewal of BrainPop digital licensing for TK-12 students and teachers'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**15.8 Review and Potential Approval of Three Year Renewal of Learn360 Digital Licensing for TK-8 Students and Teachers**

The digital licensing will be available to all students and teachers TK-8 for use in class and at home until June 2026. Learn360 provides streaming to resources such as primary source audio, videos, printable lessons for teachers, social emotional learning resources, and health and wellness resources. Learn360 also offers live streaming broadcasts from different places in the world, such as museums and zoos, giving students an opportunity to learn with an expert on location.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve three year renewal of Learn360 digital licensing for TK-8 students and teachers.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve three year renewal of Learn360 digital licensing for TK-8 students and teachers'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes

Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

### **15.9 Review and Potential Approval of Three Year Renewal of Mystery Science Digital Licensing for K-5 Students and Teachers**

The digital licensing will be available to all students and teachers K-5 for use in class and at home until June 2026. Mystery Science is used as a supplementary NGSS-aligned resource in our elementary schools. In support of STEM in MDUSD, the Mt. Diablo Education Foundation is partnering with MDUSD to purchase this licensing and will be contributing toward the cost.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the three year renewal of Mystery Science digital licensing for K-5 students and teachers.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the three year renewal of Mystery Science digital licensing for K-5 students and teachers'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

### **15.10 Review and Potential Approval of Three Year Renewal of Mosa Mack Digital Licensing for Grades 6-8 Students and Teachers**

The digital licensing will be available to all students and teachers in grades 6-8 for use in class and at home until June 2026. Mosa Mack is used as a supplementary NGSS-aligned resource in our middle schools. It provides digital access to simulations, phenomena, lab ideas, engineering challenges, and more. In support of STEM in MDUSD, the Mt. Diablo Education Foundation is partnering with MDUSD to purchase this licensing and will be contributing toward the cost.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve three year renewal of Mosa Mack digital licensing for grades 6-8 students and teachers.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve three year renewal of Mosa Mack digital licensing for grades 6-8 students and teachers'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

### **15.11 Review and Potential Approval of Three Year Renewal of Gizmos (Explore Learning) Digital Licensing for Grades 9-12 Students and Teachers**

The digital licensing will be available to all students and teachers in grades 9-12 for use in class and at home until June 2026. Gizmos, by ExploreLearning, is used as a supplementary NGSS-aligned resource in our high schools. It provides digital access to

science and math simulations and labs. Students are given the opportunity to explore, explain, and apply new knowledge within each Gizmo. In support of STEM in MDUSD, the Mt. Diablo Education Foundation is partnering with MDUSD to purchase this licensing and will be contributing toward the cost.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve three year renewal of Gizmos (Explore Learning) digital licensing for grades 9-12 students and teachers.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve three year renewal of Gizmos (Explore Learning) digital licensing for grades 9-12 students and teachers'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**15.12 Review and Potential Approval of Two Year Renewal of Apex (Edmentum) Digital Licensing**

The Apex digital licensing provides digital learning options for our middle school and high school students. Apex is used in MDUSD as a resource for supplementing classroom instruction and for our credit recovery courses. Apex curriculum is California standards-aligned, includes AP courses, and are A-G approved. The online content includes multiple means of engagement, representation (e.g. audio, video, simulations, interactive activities, video transcripts), student expression, and scaffolds for students with unique needs and English language learners. Apex will provide professional development for classroom teachers on effective blended learning and differentiation techniques and best practices for student orientation, classroom management, active learning, positive learning environments, accommodations, student motivation, and instructional interventions when integrating online content.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve two year renewal of Apex (Edmentum) digital licensing.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve two year renewal of Apex (Edmentum) digital licensing'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**15.13 Review and Potential Approval of Mt. Diablo Unified School District Partnering with The Wright Institute, an Educational Institution, in the Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology Program**

**Affiliation Agreement**

The Wright Institute, an Educational Institution and Mt. Diablo Unified School District wish to partner in the Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology Program in which the students gain clinical experience under appropriate supervision provided by the District.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve Mt. Diablo Unified School District partnering with The Wright Institute, an Educational Institution, in the Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology Program.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve Mt. Diablo Unified School District partnering with The Wright Institute, an Educational Institution, in the Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology Program'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**15.14 Review and Potential Approval of Mt. Diablo Unified School District Partnering with Cal Poly Humboldt in Educational Clinical Experience for School of Applied Health, Psychology, Social Work, or Biological Sciences Programs**

Student Placement Agreement

Cal Poly Humboldt and Mt. Diablo Unified School District wish to partner in the Educational Clinical Experience for School of Applied Health, Psychology, Social Work, or Biological Sciences Programs. Mt. Diablo Unified School District will permit the use of its clinical or public health facilities and services for the education of the university students, while also providing supervision to the students who perform services to patients.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve Mt. Diablo Unified School District partnering with Cal Poly Humboldt in Educational Clinical Experience for School of Applied Health, Psychology, Social Work, or Biological Sciences Programs

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve Mt. Diablo Unified School District partnering with Cal Poly Humboldt in Educational Clinical Experience for School of Applied Health, Psychology, Social Work, or Biological Sciences Programs'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**15.15 Review and Potential Approval of Changing the Existing Mt. Diablo Unified School District (MDUSD) Calendars (2022-2023 and 2023-2024) to Comply with Legal Requirements Designating Juneteenth as a State Holiday**

On September 29, 2022, California Governor Newsom signed Assembly Bill ("AB") 1655 which adds Juneteenth (June 19th) to the list of state holidays in Education Code. The existing MDUSD Calendars need to be updated to comply with this legal requirement.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve changing the existing MDUSD Calendars (2022-2023 and 2023-2024) to comply with legal requirements designating Juneteenth (June 19th) as a state holiday.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve changing the existing MDUSD Calendars (2022-2023 and 2023-2024) to comply with legal requirements designating Juneteenth (June 19th) as a state holiday'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

## A) Fiscal

### 15.16 Review and Potential Approval of Budget Revisions for February 2023

Budget Revisions for February 2023

Budget Revisions are a result of prior Board actions, changes in grant awards and changes in funding. Donations have also been received from private individuals and businesses. The appropriate revenue and expenditure budgets have been adjusted accordingly.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the budget revisions for February 2023

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the budget revisions for February 2023'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

## B) Food and Nutrition Services

### 15.17 Review and Potential Award of Purchase of Printers for Mt. Diablo Unified School District

At the October 12, 2023 meeting, the MDUSD Board of Education approved the piggyback on Shasta Unified High School District's (SUHSD) Request for Proposal (RFP) R6-2019 for Office Equipment and Related Technology and Services as allowed by California Public Contract Code, Section 20118. Food Services wishes to purchase 44 printers and utilize the Ubeo maintenance agreement at all district school site kitchens under the piggyback above.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the Food Services purchase of 44 printers with Ray Morgan Company/Ubeo Business Services for printers for school site kitchens.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the Food Services purchase of 44 printers with Ray Morgan Company/Ubeo Business Services for printers for school site kitchens'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

## C) Special Education

### **15.18 Review and Potential Approval of Increase to Master Contract with EMBRACE Mental Health for the 2022/23 School Year**

EMBRACE Mental Health is a California certified non-public agency provider of school based mental health services. Additional funds in the amount of \$5,000.00 are requested at this time to cover anticipated costs for the remainder of the 2022/23 school year. Services are provided according to the terms of students' individualized educational programs and individual service agreements.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve increase to master contract with EMBRACE Mental Health for the 2022/23 school year as presented.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve increase to master contract with EMBRACE Mental Health for the 2022/23 school year as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

### **15.19 Review and Potential Approval of Increase to Master Contract with Orion Academy for the 2022/23 School Year**

Orion Academy is a California certified non-public school located in Concord CA that serves students 9th-12th grade with autism spectrum disorders, nonverbal learning disorder, and other neurocognitive disabilities that have made access to traditional comprehensive school programs more challenging. Requested funds are to cover anticipated costs for the remainder of the 2022/2023 school year.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve increase to master contract with Orion Academy for the 2022/23 school year as presented.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve increase to master contract with Orion Academy for the 2022/23 school year as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**15.20 Review and Potential Approval of the 2022-2023 Contract Amendment between Mt. Diablo Unified School District and The Stepping Stones Group**

Master Contract, Insurance, Amendment 1, 2 and 3

The Stepping Stones Group is a non-public agency (NPA) that provides speech and language pathologists for school-based services and instructional assistance that are identified on Individual Education Plans (IEP's). When Mt. Diablo Unified School District is not able to fill all open positions with district employees, the use of contract agencies is necessary to ensure that we are in compliance with state and federal law that governs special education. The Stepping Stones Group is a company that is utilized to provide these services to ensure that all of our needed services are covered for the 2022-2023 school year. Mt. Diablo Unified School District Human Resources, Student Services and Special Education continues to recruit and hire district employees.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the contract increase of \$85,000.00 between Mt. Diablo Unified School District The Stepping Stones Group for speech and language services and instructional assistants.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the contract increase of \$85,000.00 between Mt. Diablo Unified School District The Stepping Stones Group for speech and language services and instructional assistants'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**15.21 Review and Potential Approval of Increase Independent Service Contract Between Mt. Diablo Unified School District (MDUSD) and Peter Allan Hauskens for the 2022/23 School Year**

Peter Allan Hauskens provides compensatory services in the area of Educational Therapy at the request of the district. The current Independent Services Contract allows for \$20,000.00 during the 2022/23 school year. Additional funds in the amount of \$15,000.00 are requested at this time to utilize his services for further compensatory education for the remainder of the 2022/23 school year

**Recommendation:** Move to approve increase to independent service contract with Peter Allan Hauskens, for the 2022/23 School Year as presented.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve increase to independent service contract with Peter Allan Hauskens, for the 2022/23 School Year as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

## D) Technology

### **15.22 Review and Potential Approval for Precision West Technology to Install Camera System at Concord High School**

Quote, ISC, COI, and W9 attached

IT is requesting approval to use Precision West Technology to install a new camera system at Concord High School.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve Precision West Technology installing the new camera system at Concord High School.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve Precision West Technology installing the new camera system at Concord High School'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

### **15.23 Review and Potential Award of Purchase of Printers for Mt. Diablo Unified School District**

Proposal/Sales Order Agreements (2) - Ray Morgan Company/ubeo

At the December 14, 2022 meeting, the MDUSD Board of Education approved a municipal finance agreement with Canon Financial Services, Inc., for a total over six (6) years of \$1,768,392; and a maintenance agreement with Ray Morgan Company for a total of \$1,406,880. With AB86, ESSER II, and ESSER III funding available, it is possible to save approximately \$207,417.75 by purchasing instead of leasing printers. With a purchase price of \$1,422,300.00, plus applicable taxes up to \$138,674.25 for a purchase total of \$1,560,974.25. The maintenance agreement of \$1,406,880 remains, as previously approved on December 14, 2022. School sites will no longer be responsible for budgeting for printer purchases, nor the maintenance agreement fees for the term of that agreement awarded December 14, 2022.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the district wide purchase with Ray Morgan Company/ ubeo Business Services for printers for Mt. Diablo Unified School District instead of leasing them.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the district wide purchase with Ray Morgan Company/ ubeo Business Services for printers for Mt. Diablo Unified School District instead of leasing them'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

## **16.0 Consent Items Pulled for Discussion**



### **16.1 (Original 15.6) Review and Potential Approval of the MDUSD K-12 Secondary Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act Grant for 2023-2024**

Mt. Diablo Unified School District Secondary and Adult Education Division seek Governing Board approval to submit applications for supplemental funding of district-wide Career Technical Education through the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (previously called Carl Perkins) grant for the 2023-2024 school-year. Funds are supplemental for district-wide career technical education. The MDUSD K-12 Secondary allocation is anticipated to be \$306,560.

**Recommendation:** Move to Approve the MDUSD K-12 Secondary Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act Grant for 2023-2024

**\*\*Student Board Member Anahi Nava Flores made the motion**

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Keisha Nzewi)** Moved, Member **(Linda Mayo)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to Approve the MDUSD K-12 Secondary Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act Grant for 2023-2024'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

### **17.0 Consent Items Pulled by Staff**

### **18.0 Business/Action Items**

#### **18.1 Review and Potential Approval of Standards Aligned History-Social Science Materials for Middle School History-Social Science Instruction**

The Middle School History-Social Science Adoption Committee began meeting Fall 2022 and included representatives from across the District. The team included teachers and administrators. Teachers worked in grade- alike teams as they went through the review process. Materials were available for review by the community from November 8-29, at the Willow Creek Center and feedback surveys were collected. After reviewing materials and presentations from a variety of vendors, using California Department of Education and Contra Costa County Office of Education evaluation tools, the Middle School Adoption Committee decided to pilot materials from McGraw-Hill and National Geographic. Each pilot lasted four weeks with training provided by the publishers prior to each pilot. At the end of the pilots, the teachers met in-person to review the data collected, community survey results, and compared materials to District and State criteria with consideration to our diverse district needs and to make a recommendation. The Middle School History-Social Science Adoption Committee are recommending an 8-year contract with McGraw-Hill for the Middle School courses. As well as the Spanish materials for the sixth-eighth grade Dual Language program at Holbrook. This contract would include online and printed materials, teacher professional development, and the materials are available in Spanish in support of emerging bilingual students.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the standards aligned History-Social Science materials for Middle History-Social Science instruction.

\*\*Student Board Member Anahi Nava Flores seconded the motion

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Linda Mayo)** Moved, Member **(Keisha Nzewi)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the standards aligned History-Social Science materials for Middle History-Social Science instruction'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**18.2 Review and Potential Approval of Standards Aligned History-Social Science Materials for High School History-Social Science Instruction**

The High School History-Social Science Adoption Committee began meeting Fall 2022 and included representatives from across the District. The team included teachers and administrators. Teachers worked in grade- alike teams as they went through the review process. Materials were available for review by the community from November 8-29, at the Willow Creek Center and feedback surveys were collected. After reviewing materials and presentations from a variety of vendors, using California Department of Education and Contra Costa County Office of Education evaluation tools, the High School Adoption Committee decided to pilot materials from TCI and Savvas. Each pilot lasted four weeks with training provided by the publishers prior to each pilot. At the end of the pilots, the teachers met in-person to review the data collected, community survey results, and compared materials to District and State criteria with consideration to our diverse district needs and to make a recommendation. The High School History-Social Science Adoption Committee are recommending an 8-year contract with Savvas for the High School courses. This contract would include online and printed materials, teacher professional development.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the standards aligned History-Social Science Materials for High School History-Social Science instruction.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Erin McFerrin)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the standards aligned History-Social Science Materials for High School History-Social Science instruction'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**18.3 Review and Potential Approval of Collegeboard Framework Aligned Materials for Advanced Placement Courses**

Collegeboard® regularly updates the course framework for each of the Advanced Placement courses. Teachers often modify course materials to adjust for changes in the course framework to properly prepare students for the AP assessments held each spring. In order to align our materials to the current framework, we are recommending the adoption and purchase of new materials for the following courses: AP Art History, AP Biology, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Chemistry, AP Economics, AP English Language, AP English Literature, AP Environmental Science, AP European History, AP

German, AP Music Theory, AP Physics Mechanics C, AP Psychology, AP Spanish Language, AP Statistics, AP United States Government, AP US History, and AP World History. Materials were available for review by the community in mid-February at the district office. Teachers from each course were given time to review both the print and digital materials from a variety of vendors and feedback was collected. Teachers from each course reached consensus and put their recommendation forward.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the Collegeboard framework aligned materials for Advanced Placement Courses.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Debra Mason)** Moved, Member **(Erin McFerrin)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the Collegeboard framework aligned materials for Advanced Placement Courses'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**18.4 Review and Approve Revisions to Board Policies and Administrative Regulations 0460, 6112, 6143, 6146.1, 6158, 6164.2, 6170.1, 6178, 6200**

Board Policies and Administrative Regulations

Staff has partnered with California School Board Association (CSBA) to review all Board Policy (BP) and Administrative Regulations (AR). These were approved by the Board on May 11, 2022 and January 18, 2023. Due to recent changes in Education Code, these policy revisions are being returned for information and approval.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve updated policies and regulations as presented.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Cherise Khaund)** Moved, Member **(Linda Mayo)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve updated policies and regulations as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**18.5 Review and Potential Approval of both Mt Diablo Unified School District's (MDUSD) Sunshine Proposal to Engage in Conceptual Conversations/Negotiations, and CST's Sunshine Proposal to Engage in Conceptual Conversations/Negotiations, Regarding the Existing 2021-2024 Successor Contract of the Clerical Secretarial and Technical Unit (CST)**

CST and MDUSD Sunshine Letters

By law and Board Policy, school districts are required to Sunshine collective bargaining proposals in an open session of the Board. MDUSD and CST are jointly Sunshining their collective bargaining proposals.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the MDUSD Sunshine Proposal to engage in conceptual conversations/negotiations, and CST's Sunshine proposal to engage in conceptual conversations/negotiations, regarding the existing 2021-2024 Successor Contract of the Clerical Secretarial and Technical Unit (CST).

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Cherise Khaund)** Moved, Member **(Debra Mason)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the MDUSD Sunshine Proposal to engage in conceptual conversations/negotiations, and CST's Sunshine proposal to engage in conceptual conversations/negotiations, regarding the existing 2021-2024 Successor Contract of the Clerical Secretarial and Technical Unit (CST)'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**18.6 Review and Potential Approval of the Job Description for Program Specialist: Foster Youth and Homeless Youth**

The District has been identified as requiring additional support due to the underachievement of particular groups of students, two of which include Foster Youth and Homeless Youth. This position is being created to provide additional support to site staff as they work together to support the unique needs and uphold the rights of these two groups of students. For the 2022/2023 School Year these services were performed by a staff member in collaboration with CCCOE however that position is eliminated for the 2023/2024 school year. The need for the work still exists.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the job description and creation of the position as presented.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Cherise Khaund)** Moved, Member **(Linda Mayo)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the job description and creation of the position as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

**18.7 Review and Potential Approval of the Job Description for CCEIS Program Specialist: Social Emotional Learning**

The District has been identified as being significantly disproportionate in the area of overidentification of African American Students into specific eligibility categories for special education. The District has developed a CCEIS Plan to address this issue and has made progress in this area. The plan is implemented at six focal sites by a team of three staff members. In order to further support the work, we propose adding a fourth staff member to support the social emotional learning of our focal scholars at the focal sites.

**Recommendation:** Move to approve the job description and creation of the position as presented.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Debra Mason)** Moved, Member **(Erin McFerrin)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Move to approve the job description and creation of the position as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Debra Mason Yes  
Linda Mayo Yes  
Cherise Khaund Yes  
Erin McFerrin Yes  
Keisha Nzewi Yes

## **19.0 Closed Session (Carry Over)**

### **19.1 Items Not Completed During the First Closed Session will be Carried Over to this Closed Session**

Items not completed during the first closed session will be carried over to this closed session as needed.

**Recommendation:** Reconvene a second closed session as needed.

## **20.0 Reconvene Open Session**

### **20.1 Report Out Action Taken During Closed Session**

Report out action taken during closed session.

**Recommendation:** Information.

## **21.0 Future Agenda Items**

### **21.1 Future Agenda Items**

Future agenda items may be discussed at this time.

**Recommendation:** Information.

## **22.0 Adjournment**

The president adjourned the meeting at 8:25pm

### **22.1 Adjourn Meeting**

The meeting of the Board of Education of the Mt. Diablo Unified School District will adjourn.

**Recommendation:** Adjourn the meeting.