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Closed Session

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Board Bylaws

Exhibit 1

BOARD MEETING AGENDA DESCRIPTIONS FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

*****Note: Pursuant to Government Code 54954.2, the agenda for each Governing Board meeting must contain a general description of each item to be discussed in closed session; see the accompanying Board bylaw. Specific agenda descriptions for most closed session items are provided in Government Code 54954.5. The district may use substantially similar language and should consult with legal counsel as necessary. The following Exhibit reflects Government Code 54954.5 and, where the law does not provide an agenda description for a matter that is an allowable use of closed session, presents examples of agenda descriptions that would inform the public of the purpose of the item without breaching confidentiality.*****

The Governing Board meeting agenda shall include the following description of a closed session item, as applicable:

Personnel Matters

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT

Government Code 54957

Title: _____
(Specify position to be filled)

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

Government Code 54957

Title: _____
(Specify position to be filled)

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Government Code 54957

Title: _____
(Specify position of employee being evaluated)

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE

Government Code 54957

(No additional information is required. An employee's dismissal or nonrenewal shall not be reported until the employee has first exhausted any right to a hearing or other administrative remedy.)

SPECIFIC COMPLAINT OR CHARGE AGAINST EMPLOYEE

Government Code 54957

(No additional information is required.)

EMPLOYEE APPLICATION FOR EARLY WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS IN DEFERRED
COMPENSATION PLAN

Government Code 54957.10

(No additional information is required.)

Negotiations/Collective Bargaining

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Government Code 54957.6

District-designated representatives:

(Specify names of representatives attending the closed session. If circumstances necessitate the absence of a specified designated representative, an agent or designee may participate in place of the absent representative as long as the name of the agent or designee is announced at an open session held prior to the closed session.)

Employee organization:

(Specify name of employee organization with which negotiations are being held.)

or

Unrepresented employee:

(Specify position of unrepresented employee who is the subject of the negotiations.)

Matters Related to Students

STUDENT SUSPENSION/OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Education Code 35146

Student identification number:

NEW EXHIBITS

(It is recommended that the student's name not be listed. The district may use other means to identify the student for record-keeping purposes.)

STUDENT EXPULSION

Education Code 48912

Student identification number: _____

(It is recommended that the student's name not be listed. The district may use other means to identify the student for record-keeping purposes.)

STUDENT GRADE CHANGE APPEAL

Education Code 49070

Student identification number: _____

(It is recommended that the student's name not be listed. The district may use other means to identify the student for record-keeping purposes.)

CONFIDENTIAL STUDENT MATTER

Action under consideration: _____

(If the Board is considering a confidential student matter other than those listed above, specify type of action.)

Student identification number: _____

(It is recommended that the student's name not be listed. The district may use other means to identify the student for record-keeping purposes.)

Security Matters

THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES

Government Code 54957

Consultation with: _____

(Specify name of law enforcement agency and title of officer, or name of applicable agency representative and title, with whom the Board will consult.)

DEVELOPMENT/APPROVAL OF TACTICAL RESPONSE PLAN

Education Code 32281

Consultation with: _____

(Specify name of law enforcement agency and title of officer, or name of applicable agency representative and title, with whom the Board will consult.)

Real Property Negotiations

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Government Code 54956.8

Property: _____
(Specify street address or, if no street address, the parcel number or other unique reference of the real property under negotiation.)

District negotiator: _____

(Specify names of negotiators attending the closed session. If circumstances necessitate the absence of a specified negotiator, an agent or designee may participate in place of the absent negotiator as long as the name of the agent or designee is announced at an open session held prior to the closed session.)

Negotiating parties: _____
(Specify name of party, not agent.)

Under negotiation: _____
(Specify whether instruction to negotiator will concern price, terms of payment, or both.)

Pending Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION

Government Code 54956.9(d)(1)

Name of case: _____
(Specify by reference to claimant's name, names of parties, or case or claim numbers.)

or

Case name unspecified, as identification of the case would jeopardize service of process or existing settlement negotiations.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Government Code 54956.9(d)(2) or (3)

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2) or (3). Number of potential cases: _____

Or

Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(4). Number of potential cases: _____

If applicable, facts and circumstances: _____
(The district may be required to provide additional information on the agenda or in an oral statement prior to the closed session pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(e)(2)-(5). These include facts and circumstances, such as an accident, disaster, incident, or transactional occurrence that might result in litigation against the district and that are known to potential plaintiff(s).)

Joint Powers Authority Issues

LIABILITY CLAIMS FOR INSURANCE-RELATED JOINT POWERS AGENCY
Government Code 54956.95

Name of claimant(s): _____
(Specify name, except pursuant to Government Code 54961 when the claimant is a victim or alleged victim of tortious sexual conduct or child abuse unless the identity of the person has been publicly disclosed.)

Name of agency against which the claim is made: _____

CONFERENCE INVOLVING INFORMATION FROM A JOINT POWERS AGENCY WITH
DIRECT FINANCIAL OR LIABILITY IMPLICATIONS FOR DISTRICT
Government Code 54956.96

Name of JPA: _____

Discussion will concern: _____
(Specify closed session description used by the JPA.)

Name of district representative on JPA board: _____

Names of agencies or titles of representatives attending the closed session as consultants or other representatives, if applicable: _____

Review of Audit from State Auditor's Office

AUDIT BY CALIFORNIA STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE
Government Code 54956.75
(No additional information is required.)

Review of Assessment Instruments

REVIEW OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENT

Education Code 60617

The Board is reviewing the contents of an assessment instrument approved or adopted for the statewide testing program. Education Code 60617 authorizes a closed session for this purpose in order to maintain the confidentiality of the assessment under review.

Exhibit 2

CLOSED SESSION

REPORTS OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

*****Note: Pursuant to Government Code 54957.7, whenever the Governing Board holds a closed session, it must reconvene in open session following the closed session to report on its actions, either orally or in writing, and make any disclosures required by Government Code 54957.1. The following Exhibit reflects Government Code 54957.1 and, where the law does not address the reporting of any matter that is an allowable use of closed session, presents sample language that would inform the public of the Board's action without breaching confidentiality. The district may revise the following examples to reflect district practice and should consult with legal counsel as necessary.*****

Following a closed session during any Governing Board meeting, the Board shall reconvene in open session to present, orally or in writing, a report of any of the following actions taken during the closed session, as applicable:

Personnel Matters

Title of position: _____

Action taken: _____
(e.g., appointment/employment/evaluation/discipline/dismissal/release)

Board member votes/abstentions: _____

Negotiations/Collective Bargaining

Approval of final agreement with represented employees

Item approved: _____

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Other party/parties to the negotiation: _____

Board member votes/abstentions: _____

Matters Related to Students

(Final action must be taken in open session. It is recommended that the student's name not be disclosed.)

Security Matters

Action taken: _____
(e.g., consultation with law enforcement; approval of contract or memorandum of understanding; approval of tactical response plan, without disclosing the details of the plan)

Board member votes/abstentions: _____

Real Property Negotiations

Action taken: _____
(Report if Board approves a final agreement concluding real estate negotiations. If final approval rests with the other party, report as soon as the other party has approved the agreement.)

Substance of the agreement: _____

Board member votes/abstentions: _____

Existing Litigation

Action taken related to existing litigation:

(e.g., approval to legal counsel to defend, appeal or not appeal, or otherwise appear in litigation; or approval to legal counsel of a settlement of pending litigation at any stage prior to or during a judicial or quasi-judicial proceeding. If final approval of settlement rests with the other party, report to any person upon request once the settlement is final.)

Adverse party/parties, if known: _____

Substance of the litigation: _____

Board member votes/abstentions: _____

Anticipated Litigation

Action taken: The Board has given approval to legal counsel to initiate or intervene in a lawsuit. The action, defendants, and other details will be disclosed to any person upon request after the lawsuit is commenced, unless doing so would jeopardize the district's ability to serve process on unserved parties or its ability to conclude existing settlement negotiations to its advantage. (The report does not need to initially identify the action, defendants, or other details.)

Board member votes/abstentions: _____

Joint Powers Agency Issues

LIABILITY CLAIMS FOR INSURANCE-RELATED JOINT POWERS AGENCY

Name of claimant(s): _____

Name of agency against which the claim is made: _____

Substance of the claim: _____

Monetary settlement agreed upon by the claimant: _____

Board member votes/abstentions: _____

CONFERENCE INVOLVING INFORMATION FROM A JOINT POWERS AGENCY WITH DIRECT FINANCIAL OR LIABILITY IMPLICATIONS FOR DISTRICT

Name of JPA: _____

Action taken: _____

(Law does not include any specific disclosures to be reported.)

Board member votes/abstentions: _____

Review of Audit from State Auditor's Office

Action taken: The Board reviewed the confidential final draft audit report received from the California State Auditor's Office and has prepared a response. (No additional information is required. Unless otherwise exempted by law, after the audit report is subsequently released to the public, any Board discussion of the report must be conducted in open session.)

Review of Assessment Instruments

NEW EXHIBITS

Action taken: The Board reviewed the contents of a student assessment instrument approved or adopted for the statewide testing system.

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