### Sausalito Marin City School District Agenda

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# Special Board Meeting March 22, 2011 Tuesday, 05:00 PM District Office 630 Nevada Street

Sausalito

#### Sausalito Marin City School District Board Meeting Procedures

Agendas are posted at the District Office and at the Bayside Elementary School Office, 630 Nevada Street, Sausalito. An agenda is also posted at Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy, 200 Phillips Drive, Marin City. Agendas are posted 24 hours in advance of a special board meeting.

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Backup materials for items on this agenda are available for review in the Superintendent's Office.

#### And

**Mark Trotter Via Teleconference** 

2630 Hillcrest Ave, Tahoe City, CA 96145

#### **Meeting Location**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy Multipurpose Room

200 Phillips Drive, Marin City

March 22, 2011

**OPEN SESSION: 5:00 PM** 

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

- 1. Addressing the Board Prior to Open Session (D)
  - Persons wishing to address the Board on items on the agenda or items not on the agenda may do so at this time. (Turn in completed card; 3-minute time limit for presentation. Regarding comments on items that are not on the agenda, Board members may listen to your presentation but are prohibited by the Brown Act from making a response.)
- 2. Approval of Agenda Order (\*\*)

#### STRATEGIC INITIATIVE/PLANNING

1. The Board of Trustees will gather community input on the district's vision, the search for a new superintendent, and how to structure the district for success.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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## SIGNED DOCUMENTS

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**DOCUMENTS DISTRIBUTED** AT THE MEETING

## The Sausalito Marin City School Board Public Memo – Public Input Requested

This is an important time for Sausalito Marin City School District, and the school board invites the entire community to support the district in ensuring a strong future for all of our students. We will hold three community meetings to gather input on the district's vision, the search for a new superintendent, and how to structure the district for success (see below). While the board has begun to discuss options on all three topics, no final decisions have been made, and no final decisions will be made without community input.

#### First Meeting

March 22, 2011, 5:00 pm, Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy, 200 Phillips Drive, Marin City, in the Multipurpose Room Second Meeting

April 7, 2011, 6:00 pm, Bayside Elementary School, 630 Nevada Street, Sausalito, in the Multipurpose Room Third Meeting

April 21, 2011, 6:00 pm, at Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy, 200 Phillips Drive, Marin City, in the Multipurpose Room

We also invite community members to share their opinions by emailing us at <a href="mailto:smcsd@marin.k12.ca.us">smcsd@marin.k12.ca.us</a>

Vision for the District

The school board and superintendent have established a vision that reads: "All students are academically and socially prepared to compete and be successful at each grade level." While student performance has improved in some areas, the district lags behind county averages, and the achievement gap within all schools remains. Therefore, the school board is in the process of determining what strategies are needed to deliver on this vision and would like your input.

#### Search for a New Superintendent

Superintendent Debra A. Bradley's recent retirement announcement offers the district an opportunity to bring in new leadership. The board will be considering what kind of leader is required to achieve the vision, and we would like community input on the process of selecting a superintendent who can deliver on a vision of success for all students.

#### Structuring the District for Success

Our school system currently serves less than 400 students across three schools. We need to determine if this prevents us from putting enough resources toward great teachers, strong instruction, and direct student services. The school board is considering options including: 1) no change in schools, 2) restarting Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy as a new school (possibly as a charter), and 3) whether any changes at Bayside are needed to either improve the school's performance or the district's performance. We welcome your input into these or other options that will enable us to best serve the district's students.