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# **2018 Local Agency Biennial Notice**

 Name of Agency:
 Moorpark Unified School District
 Clerk of the Board

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Accurate disclosure is essential to monitor whether officials have conflicts of interest and to help ensure public trust in government. The biennial review examines current programs to ensure that the agency's code includes disclosure by those agency officials who make or participate in making governmental decisions.

This agency has reviewed its conflict of interest code and has determined that (check one BOX):

An amendment is required. The following amendments are necessary:

(Check all that apply.)

- O Include new positions
- O Revise disclosure categories
- O Revise the titles of existing positions
- O Delete titles of positions that have been abolished and/or positions that no longer make or participate in making governmental decisions
- O Other (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

The code is currently under review by the code reviewing body.

No amendment is required. (If your code is over five years old, amendments may be necessary.)

#### Verification (to be completed if no amendment is required)

This agency's code accurately designates all positions that make or participate in the making of governmental decisions. The disclosure assigned to those positions accurately requires that all investments, business positions, interests in real property, and sources of income that may foreseeably be affected materially by the decisions made by those holding designated positions are reported. The code includes all other provisions required by Government Code Section 87302.

60000 Signature of Chief Executive Officer

All agencies must complete and return this notice regardless of how recently your code was approved or amended. Please return this notice no later than **October 1, 2018**, or by the date specified by your agency, if earlier, to:

*Board of Supervisors 800 S. Victoria Avenue Ventura, CA 93009-1920* 

PLEASE DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM TO THE FPPC.

Date

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**Board Bylaws** 

**Conflict of Interest** 

Incompatible Activities

Governing Board members shall not engage in any employment or activity which is inconsistent with, incompatible with, in conflict with or inimical to the Board member's duties as an officer of the district.

Conflict of Interest Code

The district's conflict of interest code shall be comprised of the terms of 2CCR 18730 and any amendments to it adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission, together with a district attachment specifying designated positions and the specific types of disclosure statements required for each position.

Upon direction by the code reviewing body, the Board shall review the district's conflict of interest code in even-numbered years. If no change in the code is required, the district shall submit by October 1 a written statement to that effect to the code reviewing body. If a change in the code is necessitated by changed circumstances, the district shall submit an amended code to the code reviewing body.

When a change in the district's conflict of interest code is necessitated by changed circumstances, such as the creation of new designated positions, amendments or revisions, the changed code shall be submitted to the code reviewing body within 90 days.

When reviewing and preparing conflict of interest codes, the district shall provide officers, employees, consultants and members of the community adequate notice and a fair opportunity to present their views.

If a Board member or designated employee determines that he/she has a financial interest in a decision, as described in Government Code 87103, this determination shall be disclosed. The member shall be disqualified from voting unless his/her participation is legally required.

Statements of economic interests submitted to the district by designated employees in accordance with the conflict of interest code shall be available for public inspection and reproduction.

Designated employees listed in Exhibit A section A of the Conflict of Interest Code must file their statements of economic interest with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, the reporting agency for Ventura County. Designated employees listed in Exhibit A sections B and C of the Conflict of Interest Code must file their statements of economic interest with the local agency.

#### **Financial Interest**

Board members and designated employees shall not be financially interested in any contract made by the Board or in any contract they make in their capacity as Board members or designated employees.

A Board member shall not be considered to be financially interested in a contract if his/her interest includes, but is not limited to, any of the following:

- 1. That of an officer who is being reimbursed for his/her actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of an official duty
- 2. That of a recipient of public services generally provided by the public body or board of which he/she is a member, on the same terms and conditions as if he or she were not a member of the board
- 3. That of a landlord or tenant of the contracting party if such contracting party is the federal government or any federal department or agency, this state or an adjoining state, any department or agency of this state or an adjoining state, any county or city of this state or an adjoining state, or any public corporation or special, judicial or other public district of this state or an adjoining state unless the subject matter of such contract is the property in which such officer or employee has such interest as landlord or tenant in which even his/her interest shall be deemed a remote interest within the meaning of, and subject to, the provisions of Government Code 1091
- 4. That of a spouse of an officer or employee of the district if his/her spouse's employment or officeholding has existed for at least one year prior to his/her election or appointment
- 5. That of a nonsalaried member of a nonprofit corporation, provided that such interest is disclosed to the Board at the time of the first consideration of the contract, and provided further that such interest is noted in its official records
- 6. That of a noncompensated officer of a nonprofit, tax-exempt corporation which, as one of its primary purposes, supports the functions of the nonprofit board or to which the school Board has a legal obligation to give particular consideration, and provided further that such interest is noted in its official records
- 7. That of a person receiving salary, per diem, or reimbursement for expenses from a governmental entity, unless the contract directly involves the department of the government entity that employs the officer or employee, provided that such interest is disclosed to the Board at the time of consideration of the contract, and provided further that such interest is noted in its official records
- 8. That of an attorney of the contracting party or that of an owner, officer, employee or agent of a firm which renders, or has rendered, service to the contracting party in the

capacity of stockbroker, insurance agent, insurance broker, real estate agent, or real estate broker, if these individuals have not received and will not receive remuneration, consideration, or a commission as a result of the contract and if these individuals have an ownership interest of less than 10 percent in the law practice or firm, stock brokerage firm, insurance firm or real estate firm

In addition, a Board member or employee shall not be deemed to be interested in a contract made pursuant to competitive bidding under a procedure established by law if his/her sole interest is that of an officer, director, or employee of a bank or savings and loan association with which a party to the contract has the relationship of borrower or depositor, debtor or creditor.

A Board member shall not be deemed to be financially interested in a contract if he/she has only a remote interest in the contract and if the remote interest is disclosed during a Board meeting and noted in the official Board minutes. The affected Board member shall not vote or debate on the matter or attempt to influence any other Board member to enter into the contract. Remote interests are specified in Government Code 1091(b); they include, but are not limited to, the interest of a parent in the earnings of his/her minor child.

A Board member may enter into a contract if the rule of necessity or legally required participation applies as defined in Government Code 87101.

Even if there is no prohibited or remote interest, a Board member shall abstain from voting on personnel matters that uniquely affect a relative of the Board member. A Board member may vote, however, on collective bargaining agreements and personnel matters that affect a class of employees to which the relative belongs. "Relative" means an adult who is related to the person by blood or affinity within the third degree, as determined by the common law, or an individual in an adoptive relationship within the third degree.

A relationship within the third degree includes the individual's parents, grandparents and greatgrandparents, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, brothers, sisters, aunts and uncles, nieces and nephews, and the similar family of the individual's spouse unless the individual is widowed or divorced.

Disqualification for Board Members Who Manage Public Investments

A Board member who manages public investments pursuant to Government Code 87200 and who has a financial interest in a decision shall, upon identifying a conflict or potential conflict of interest and immediately prior to the consideration of the matter, do all of the following:

- 1. Publicly identify the financial interest that gives rise to the conflict or potential conflict of interest in detail sufficient to be understood by the public, except that disclosure of the exact street address of a residence is not required.
- 2. Recuse himself/herself from discussing and voting on the matter, or otherwise acting in violation of Government Code 87100. This Board member shall not be counted toward achieving a quorum while the item is discussed.

3. Leave the room until after the discussion, vote and any other disposition of the matter is concluded, unless the matter has been placed on the portion of the agenda reserved for uncontested matters.

If the item is on the consent calendar, the Board member must recuse himself/herself from discussing or voting on that matter, but the Board member is not required to leave the room during the consent calendar.

The Board member may speak on the issue during the time that the general public speaks on the issue. The Board member shall recuse himself/herself from voting on the matter and leave the dais to speak from the same area as members of the public. He/she may listen to the public discussion of the matter with members of the public.

If the Board's decision is made during closed session, the public identification may be made orally during the open session before the Board goes into closed session and shall be limited to a declaration that his/her recusal is because of a conflict of interest pursuant to Government Code 87100. The Board member shall not be present when the decision is considered in closed session or knowingly obtain or review a recording or any other non-public information regarding the Board's decision.

#### Gifts

Board members and designated employees may accept gifts only under the conditions and limitations specified in Government Code 89503 and 2 CCR 18730.

The limitations on gifts do not apply to wedding gifts and gifts exchanged between individuals on birthdays, holidays and other similar occasions, provided that the gifts exchanged are not substantially disproportionate in value.

Gifts of travel and related lodging and subsistence shall be subject to the prevailing gift limitation except as described in Government Code 89506.

A gift of travel does not include travel provided by the district for Board members and designated employees.

#### Honoraria

Board members and designated employees shall not accept any honorarium, which is defined as any payment made in consideration for any speech given, article published, or attendance at any public or private gathering, in accordance with law.

The term honorarium does not include:

1. Earned income for personal services customarily provided in connection with a bona fide

business, trade or profession unless the sole or predominant activity of the business, trade or profession is making speeches

2. Any honorarium which is not used and, within 30 days after receipt, is either returned to the donor or delivered to the district for donation into the general fund without being claimed as a deduction from income for tax purpose

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 1006 Qualifications for holding office 35107 School district employees 35230-35240 Corrupt practices 35233 Prohibitions applicable to members of governing boards 35239 Compensation for board members in districts under 70 ADA **GOVERNMENT CODE** 1090-1098 Prohibitions applicable to specified officers 1125-1129 Incompatible activities 81000-91015 Political Reform Act of 1974, especially: 82011 Code reviewing body 82019 Definition of designated employee 82028 Definition of gifts 82030 Definition of income 87100-87103.6 General prohibitions 87200-87210 Disclosure 87300-87313 Conflict of interest code 87500 Statements of economic interests 89501-89503 Honoraria and gifts 91000-91014 Enforcement CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2 18110-18997 Regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission, especially: 18702.5 Public identification of a conflict of interest for Section 87200 filers

#### EXHIBIT A – DESIGNATED EMPLOYEES Moorpark Unified School District

A. Persons occupying the following positions are designated employees and must disclose financial interests in all categories defined in Exhibit B:

Members of the Board - 5

Superintendent - 1

Assistant Superintendents - 3

Director of Fiscal Services - 1

Director of Purchasing -1

B. Persons occupying the following positions are designated employees and must disclose financial interests defined in categories 4, 5, 6, 7 of Exhibit B.

Principal - 11

Assistant Principal - 5

Athletic Director - 1

Director of Maintenance and Operations - 1

Director of Information Technology -1

Director of Special Education – 1

Director of Instruction & Curriculum -1

Program Coordinator - 1

C. Consultants are designated employees who must disclose financial interests as determined on a case-by-case basis by the Superintendent or designee. The Superintendent or designee's written determination shall include a description of the consultant's duties and a statement of the extent of disclosure requirements based upon that description. All such determinations are public records and shall be retained for public inspection along with this conflict of interest code.

A consultant is an individual who, pursuant to a contract with the district, makes a governmental decision whether to:

a. Approve a rate, rule or regulation

- b. Adopt or enforce a law
- c. Issue, deny, suspend or revoke a permit, license, application, certificate, approval, order or similar authorization or entitlement
- d. Authorize the district to enter into, modify or renew a contract that requires district approval
- e. Grant district approval to a contract or contract specifications which require district approval and in which the district is a party

## <u>EXHIBIT B – DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES</u> Moorpark Unified School District

Subject to the definitions set forth in the Political Reform Act and applicable regulations:

#### Category 1 – BROADEST DISCLOSURE

- 1) All sources of income including gifts, loans and travel payments;
- 2) All interests in real property; and
- 3) All investments and business positions in business entities.

## Category 2 - REAL PROPERTY

All interests in real property.

## Category 3 - LAND DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSACTION

All investments, business positions and income including gifts, loans and travel payments, from sources of the type which engage in land development, construction, or acquisition or sale of real property.

## Category 4 - PROCUREMENT

All investments, business positions and income including gifts, loans and travel payments, from sources of the type which provide services, facilities, supplies, materials, machinery or equipment of the type utilized by the County of Ventura.

## Category 5 - PROCUREMENT-DEPARTMENT/AGENCY-SPECIFIC

All investments, business positions and income including gifts, loans and travel payments, from sources of the type which provide services, facilities, supplies, materials, machinery or equipment of the type utilized by the department(s), agency(ies) and/or programs as to which the designated position has responsibility.

#### Category 6 - REGULATION AND PERMITTING

All investments, business positions and income including gifts, loans and travel payments, from sources of the type which are subject to the regulatory, permitting or licensing authority of, or have an application or license pending before, the department(s), agency(ies) and/or programs as to which the designated position has responsibility.

## Category 7 - FUNDING

All investments, business positions and income including gifts, loans and travel payments, from sources of the type which receive grants or other monies from or through the department(s), agency(ies) and/or programs as to which the designated position has responsibility.