

**MARK WEST UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
AGENDA**

Tuesday, April 14, 2026

**The meeting will be held in the District Office Learning Center
305 Mark West Springs Rd.
Santa Rosa, CA 95404**

The meeting is open to the public at 5:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL: 5:00 P.M.

Board Members

Brian Burke, President
Victor McKnight, Clerk
Tracy Lavin-Kendall
Sara Azat
Aaron Smith

Staff Members

Dr. Rachel Valenzuela, Superintendent
Renee Loeza, Chief Business Official
Kate Westrich, Director of Instruction & Student Serv.
Principals: Emily Todd, Kelli Osorio, Bennett Holley,
Lisa Chapman
Mason Nakamura, Director of Maintenance & Oper.
Alicia Mills, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

At this time, members of the public may seek clarification about any item on the Closed Session agenda for as long as the item is under the jurisdiction of the Board. Comments shall be limited to three minutes per person for a total of 20 minutes. Any person interested in the following items on the agenda will be allowed an opportunity to address the Board at this time.

2. CLOSED SESSION

2.2 Public Employment (Resignations, Hirings, Leaves, Contracts, Reassignments, Layoffs) (Government Code 54957) Conference with Negotiators - District Negotiators: Rachel Valenzuela and Renee Loeza (MARFAC, CSEA 570, Confidential)

3. STUDY SESSION . There will be no Study Session

4. OPEN SESSION: PUBLIC MEETING: 5:00 P.M.

- 4.1** The meeting will be called to order at 5:00 P.M.
- 4.2** Pledge of Allegiance
- 4.3** Introductions
- 4.4** Approval of Agenda Order
- 4.5** Report Out of Closed Session

5. PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

Eighth-grade students in Ms. Dickey's class will present their Algebra 'Slope Quilt' project. This hands-on assignment required students to demonstrate technical proficiency in algebra while collaborating effectively to complete a large-scale, shared final product.

6. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE . *Board Correspondence is provided for the purpose of reviewing correspondence addressed to or received by the Board.)*

[6.1 Letter from Sarah Lampenfeld, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services at the Sonoma County Office of Education stating that the 2025-2026 Second Interim Report was certified "Positive" and that "the district meets its financial obligations for the current year and subsequent two years."](#)

7. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS/MATTERS

(Board Communications/Matters item is provided for the purpose of sharing school-related activities, school visitations, conferences attended, meetings scheduled. Board members may share any district related issues with other members of the Board and Staff. No formal Board of Education action will be taken.)

8. ADMINISRATIVE REPORTS

8.1 School Reports/Principals

[Emily Todd – John B. Riebli](#)

[Kelli Osorio – Mark West Elementary](#)

[Bennett Holley – San Miguel](#)

[Lisa Chapman – Mark West Charter School](#)

8.2 [Director of Instruction and Student Services/Kate Westrich](#)

8.3 [Director of Maintenance & Operations//Mason Nakamura](#)

8.4 Superintendent’s Report/Dr. Rachel Valenzuela – Dr. Valenzuela will present an Oral Report

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10. CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are considered routine and can be handled with one action since it is recommended that all items be approved unanimously. Board members may request that any item be discussed or moved to a future calendar.

10.1 PERSONNEL

[10.1.1 Consideration of Approval of the Personnel Report](#)

10.2 BUSINESS

[10.2.1 Consideration of Approval of the Vendor Report](#)

[10.2.2 Consideration of Approval of the Agreement between the Mark West Union School District and Adobe Acrobat Sign: April 18, 2026 - April 17, 2027](#)

[10.2.3 Consideration of Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Mark West Union School District and Sonoma State University for multiple credentialing programs](#)

10.3 CURRICULUM

[10.3.1 Consideration of Approval of the Williams Settlement Quarterly Uniform Complaint Report Summary January 1, 2026 – March 31, 2026](#)

10.4 MINUTES

[10.4.1 Consideration of Approval of the March 10, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes](#)

[10.4.2 Consideration of Approval of the March 12, 2026 Special Board Meeting Minutes](#)

10.5 FACILITIES

10.6 DONATIONS

10.6.1 Consideration of Approval of a \$500.00 donation to the Mark West Elementary School Garden Project from Susan Nystrom

10.6.2 Consideration of Approval of a \$500.00 donation to the Mark West Elementary Garden Project from Kasey Ashley

10.6.3 Consideration of Approval of a \$200.00 donation to the Mark West Elementary Garden Project from Christine and Victor Cucina

10.6.4 Consideration of Approval of a \$100.00 donation to the Mark West Elementary Garden Project from Bryanna Vives

10.6.5 Consideration of Approval of a \$100.00 donation to the Mark West Elementary Garden Project from Melissa Lynn Allred and Scott Douglas Allred

11 ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

11.1 BUSINESS

11.2 CURRICULUM

11.3 FACILITIES

11.4 BOARD POLICIES

11.4.1 Consideration of Approval of Revised [Board Policy](#) and [Administrative Regulation](#) #5117, Students – Interdistrict Attendance

11.4.2 Consideration of Approval of Revised [Board Policy 3350 and updated Exhibit 3350](#), Business and Noninstructional Operations – Travel Expenses

11.5 ADMINISTRATION

11.5.1 Consideration of Approval of [Resolution #26-18](#) Designating May 4th – May 8th, 2026 as National Teacher Appreciation Week and May 5, 2026 as Teacher Appreciation Day

11.5.2 Consideration of Approval of [Resolution #26-19](#) Designating May 4th – May 8th, 2026 as Classified Appreciation Week

11.5.3 [Consideration of Approval of the Mark West Union School District Sunshine Letter to CSEA 570 2025-2026 Contract Negotiation](#)

12. **EVALUATION OF THE BOARD MEETING** The Board members may comment or request items pertaining to the Board meeting

13. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

14. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 12, 2026 at 4:00p.m. Location TBA.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

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