

16 October 2018

Clerk of the Board

# 2018 Local Agency Biennial Notice

Name of Agency: Oxnard School District

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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.*)

- Include new positions
- Revise disclosure categories
- Revise the titles of existing positions
- Delete titles of positions that have been abolished and/or positions that no longer make or participate in making governmental decisions
- 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.*

  
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 Signature of Chief Executive Officer

10/16/2018  
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 Date

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.**

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County of Ventura

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Clerk of the Board

**Board Bylaws**

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**Conflict of Interest Code of the  
Oxnard School District**

The provisions of 2 CCR 18730 and any amendments to it adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission, together with the attached Appendix specifying designated positions and disclosure categories, are incorporated by reference and shall constitute the district's conflict of interest code.

Board of Trustees members and designated employees shall file a Statement of Economic Interest/Form 700 in accordance with the disclosure categories listed in the enclosed Appendix. Persons holding positions designated in the Appendix shall file Form 700 Statements of Economic Interests with the filing officer specified for that position in said Appendix. The respective filing officer shall make the statements available for public review and inspection.

**APPENDIX**

**Disclosure Categories**

1. **Category 1:** A person designated Category 1 shall disclose:
  - a. Interests in real property located entirely or partly within district boundaries, or within two miles of district boundaries, or of any land owned or used by the district.
  - b. Investments or business positions in or income from sources which are engaged in the acquisition or disposal of real property within the district, are contractors or subcontractors which are or have been within the past two years engaged in work or services of the type used by the district, or manufacture or sell supplies, books, machinery, or equipment of the type used by the district.
  
2. **Category 2:** A person designated Category 2 shall disclose:
  - a. Investments or business positions in or income from sources which are contractors or subcontractors engaged in work or services of the type used by the department which the designated person manages or directs.
  - b. Investments or business positions in or income from sources which manufacture or sell supplies, books, machinery, or equipment of the type used by the department which the designated person manages or directs. For the purposes of this category, a principal's department is his/her entire school.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST** (continued)

3. **Full Disclosure:** Because it has been determined that the district's Board members and/or Superintendent "manage public investments," they and other persons designated for "full disclosure" shall disclose, in accordance with Government Code 87200:
- a. Interests in real property located entirely or partly within district boundaries, or within two miles of district boundaries, or of any land owned or used by the district.
  - b. Investments, business positions, and sources of income, including gifts, loans, and travel payments.

**Designated Positions**

<u>Designated Position</u>	<u>Disclosure Category</u>	<u>Filing Officer *</u>
Board of Trustees Members	3	COB
Personnel Commission Members	1	OSD
District Superintendent	3	OSD
Deputy/Assistant Superintendent	1	OSD
Director, Pupil Services	2	OSD
Director, Curriculum, Instruction and Accountability	2	OSD
Director, Dual Language Programs	2	OSD
Director, Special Education	2	OSD
Director, English Learner Services	2	OSD
Principals	2	OSD
Chief Information Officer	2	OSD
Director, Facilities	2	OSD
Director, Classified Human Resources	2	OSD
Director, Certificated Human Resources	2	OSD
Director, Child Nutrition Services	2	OSD
Director, Early Childhood Education Programs	2	OSD
Director, Purchasing	2	OSD
Director, Finance	2	OSD
Director, Transportation	2	OSD
Consultants	2	OSD

\*COB = County Clerk of the Board; OSD = Oxnard School District

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST** (continued)

**Disclosures for Consultants**

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: (2 CCR 18701)

1. Approve a rate, rule, or regulation
2. Adopt or enforce a law
3. Issue, deny, suspend, or revoke a permit, license, application, certificate, approval, order, or similar authorization or entitlement
4. Authorize the district to enter into, modify, or renew a contract that requires district approval
5. Grant district approval to a contract that requires district approval and in which the district is a party, or to the specifications for such a contract
6. Grant district approval to a plan, design, report, study, or similar item
7. Adopt or grant district approval of district policies, standards, or guidelines

A consultant is also an individual who, pursuant to a contract with the district, serves in a staff capacity with the district and in that capacity participates in making a governmental decision as defined in 2 CCR 18702.2 or performs the same or substantially all the same duties for the district that would otherwise be performed by an individual holding a position specified in the district's conflict of interest code. (2 CCR 18701)

## Board Bylaws

### CONFLICT OF INTEREST

FYI - there were no changes to BB9270

BB 9270(a)

The Board of Trustees desires to maintain the highest ethical standards and help ensure that decisions are made in the best interest of the district and the public. In accordance with law, Board members and designated employees shall disclose any conflict of interest and, as necessary, shall abstain from participating in the decision.

*(cf. 9005 - Governance Standards)*

The Board shall adopt a resolution that specifies the terms of the district's conflict of interest code, the district's designated positions, and the disclosure categories required for each position.

Upon direction by the code reviewing body, the Board shall review the district's conflict of interest code and submit any changes to the code reviewing body.

When a change in the district's conflict of interest code is necessitated due to changed circumstances, such as the creation of new designated positions, changes to the duties assigned to existing positions, amendments, or revisions, the amended code shall be submitted to the code reviewing body within 90 days. (Government Code 87306)

When reviewing and preparing the district's conflict of interest code, the Superintendent or designee shall provide officers, employees, consultants, and members of the community adequate notice and a fair opportunity to present their views. (Government Code 87311)

*(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)*

Board members and designated employees shall annually file a Statement of Economic Interest/Form 700 in accordance with the disclosure categories specified in the district's conflict of interest code. A Board member who leaves office or a designated employee who leaves district employment shall, within 30 days, file a revised statement covering the period of time between the closing date of the last statement and the date of leaving office or district employment. (Government Code 87302, 87500)

*(cf. 4117.2/4217.2/4317.2 - Resignation)*

*(cf. 9222 - Resignation)*

### Conflict of Interest under the Political Reform Act

A Board member or designated employee shall not make, participate in making, or in any way use or attempt to use his/her official position to influence a governmental decision in which he/she knows or has reason to know that he/she has a disqualifying conflict of interest. A conflict of interest exists if the decision will have a "reasonably foreseeable material financial effect" on one or more of the Board member's or designated employee's "economic interests," unless the effect is indistinguishable from the effect on the public generally or the Board member's or designated employee's participation is legally required. (Government Code 87100, 87101, 87103; 2 CCR 18700-18709)

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST** (continued)

A Board member or designated employee makes a governmental decision when, acting within the authority of his/her office or position, he/she votes on a matter, appoints a person, obligates or commits the district to any course of action, or enters into any contractual agreement on behalf of the district. (2 CCR 18702.1)

A Board member who has a disqualifying conflict of interest on an agenda item that will be heard in an open meeting of the Board shall abstain from voting on the matter. He/she may remain on the dais, but his/her presence shall not be counted towards achieving a quorum for that matter. A Board member with a disqualifying conflict of interest shall not be present during a closed session meeting of the Board when the decision is considered and shall not obtain or review a recording or any other nonpublic information regarding the issue. (2 CCR 18702.1)

**Additional Requirements for Boards that 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: (Government Code 87105; 2 CCR 18702.5)

1. Publicly identify each 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. The Board member shall not be counted toward achieving a quorum while the item is discussed.

However, the Board member may speak on the issue during the time that the general public speaks on it and may 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.

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 consideration of the consent calendar.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST** (continued)

4. If the Board's decision is made during closed session, disclose his/her interest orally during the open session preceding the closed session. This disclosure shall be limited to a declaration that his/her recusal is because of a conflict of interest pursuant to Government Code 87100. He/she shall not be present when the item is considered in closed session and shall not knowingly obtain or review a recording or any other nonpublic information regarding the Board's decision.

(*cf.* 3430 - Investing)

**Conflict of Interest under Government Code 1090**

Board members, employees, or district consultants shall not be financially interested in any contract made by the Board on behalf of the district, including in the development, preliminary discussions, negotiations, compromises, planning, reasoning, and specifications and solicitations for bids. If a Board member has such a financial interest, the district is barred from entering into the contract. (Government Code 1090; Klistoff v. Superior Court, (2007) 157 Cal.App. 4th 469)

A Board member shall not be considered to be financially interested in a contract if his/her interest is a "noninterest" as defined in Government Code 1091.5. One such noninterest is when a Board member's spouse/registered domestic partner has been a district employee for at least one year prior to the Board member's election or appointment. (Government Code 1091.5)

A Board member shall not be considered to be financially interested in a contract if he/she has only a "remote interest" in the contract as specified in Government Code 1091 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. (Government Code 1091)

Even if there is not a prohibited conflict of interest, a Board member shall abstain from voting on personnel matters that uniquely affect his/her relatives. However, a Board member may vote on collective bargaining agreements and personnel matters that affect a class of employees to which his/her relative belongs. *Relative* means an adult who is related to the Board member 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. (Education Code 35107)

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

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST (continued)**

### **Common Law Doctrine Against Conflict of Interest**

A Board member shall abstain from any official action in which his/her private or personal interest may conflict with his/her official duties.

### **Rule of Necessity or Legally Required Participation**

On a case-by-case basis and upon advice of legal counsel, a Board member with a financial interest in a contract may participate in the making of the contract if the rule of necessity or legally required participation applies pursuant to Government Code 87101 and 2 CCR 18708.

### **Incompatible Offices and Activities**

Board members shall not engage in any employment or activity or hold any office which is inconsistent with, incompatible with, in conflict with, or inimical to the Board member's duties as an officer of the district. (Government Code 1099, 1126)

*(cf. 4136/4236/4336 - Nonschool Employment)*

### **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 limitation on gifts does 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. (Government Code 89503)

Gifts of travel and related lodging and subsistence shall be subject to the current 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. (Government Code 89506)

### **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. (Government Code 89501, 89502)

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST (continued)

The term *honorarium* does not include: (Government Code 89501)

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 purposes

### *Legal Reference:*

#### EDUCATION CODE

1006 *Qualifications for holding office*

35107 *School district employees*

35230-35240 *Corrupt practices, especially:*

35233 *Prohibitions applicable to members of governing boards*

41000-41003 *Moneys received by school districts*

#### FAMILY CODE

297.5 *Rights, protections, and benefits of registered domestic partners*

#### GOVERNMENT CODE

1090-1099 *Prohibitions applicable to specified officers*

1125-1129 *Incompatible activities*

81000-91014 *Political Reform Act of 1974, especially:*

82011 *Code reviewing body*

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*

#### PENAL CODE

85-88 *Bribes*

#### 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*

#### COURT DECISIONS

*Klistoff v. Superior Court*, (2007) 157 Cal.App.4th 469

*Thorpe v. Long Beach Community College District*, (2000) 83 Cal.App.4th 655

*Kunec v. Brea Redevelopment Agency*, (1997) 55 Cal.App.4th 511

*Legal References continued: (see next page)*

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST (continued)

### *Legal Reference: (continued)*

#### ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

92 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 26 (2009)

92 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 19 (2009)

89 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 217 (2006)

86 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 138(2003)

85 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 60 (2002)

82 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 83 (1999)

81 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 327 (1998)

80 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 320 (1997)

69 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 255 (1986)

68 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 171 (1985)

65 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 606 (1982)

63 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 868 (1980)

### *Management Resources:*

#### CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Conflict of Interest: Overview of Key Issues for Board of Trustees Members, Fact Sheet, July 2010

#### FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION PUBLICATIONS

Can I Vote? A Basic Overview of Public Officials' Obligations Under the Conflict-of-Interest Rules, 2005

#### INSTITUTE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

Understanding the Basics of Public Service Ethics: Personal Financial Gain Laws, 2009

Understanding the Basics of Public Service Ethics: Transparency Laws, 2009

#### WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

Fair Political Practices Commission: <http://www.fppc.ca.gov>

Institute of Local Government: <http://www.ca-ilg.org>

**RESOLUTION #18-13**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE OXNARD  
SCHOOL DISTRICT ADOPTING REVISIONS THROUGH THE  
BIENNIAL REVIEW OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE**

WHEREAS, public agencies, including school district governing boards, are required to adopt a Conflict of Interest Code in compliance with Government Code Sections 87300-87313; and

WHEREAS, Oxnard School District adopted a Conflict of Interest Code that was approved by the Ventura County Board of Supervisors on March 22, 1977; and

WHEREAS, District elected officials, including Board members and designated employees, shall adhere to the district's Conflict of Interest Code; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 87306.5 requires every local government agency to review its Conflict of Interest Code biennially to determine if it is accurate or if the code must be amended; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has reviewed the District's code in keeping with said requirement and presents the revisions herewith for the Board's approval; and

WHEREAS, Oxnard School District Board Bylaws state that the Board shall adopt a Resolution that specifies the terms of the District's Conflict of Interest Code, the District's Designated positions, and the disclosure categories required for each position, and said terms are incorporated herewith by reference;

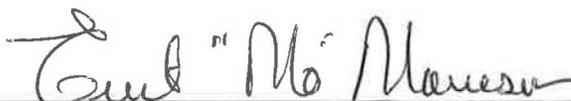
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Oxnard School District has received the revisions through the Biennial Review of the Conflict of Interest Code and agrees that all designated employees shall adhere to the District's Conflict of Interest Code as set forth herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the Oxnard School District the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018.

Signed:



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President of the Board of Trustees of the  
OXNARD SCHOOL DISTRICT



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Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the  
OXNARD SCHOOL DISTRICT

**CLERK'S CERTIFICATE**

I, Ernie "Mo" Morrison, Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the OXNARD SCHOOL DISTRICT, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of Resolution #18-13 adopted at a regular meeting place thereof on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018, of which meeting all the members of said Board of Trustees had due notice and at which a majority thereof were present, and that at said meeting said resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES:	<u>5</u>
NOES:	<u>0</u>
ABSENT:	<u>0</u>
ABSTENTIONS:	<u>0</u>

An agenda of said meeting was posted at least 72 hours before said meeting at Oxnard, California, a location freely accessible to members of the public, and a brief general description of said resolution appeared on said agenda.

I further certify that I have carefully compared the same with the original minutes of said meeting on file and of record in my office; that the foregoing resolution is a full, true and correct copy of the original resolution adopted at said board meeting and entered in said minutes; and that said resolution has not been amended, modified or rescinded since the date of its adoption, and the same is now in full force and effect.

Dated: October 10, 2018

  
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Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the  
OXNARD SCHOOL DISTRICT



**BOARD MINUTES  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF VENTURA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**SUPERVISORS STEVE BENNETT, LINDA PARKS,  
KELLY LONG, PETER C. FOY AND JOHN C. ZARAGOZA  
December 4, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.**

**CONSENT – COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE – Adoption of Conflict of Interest  
Codes for 118 Local Agencies; and Receive and File 2018 Biennial Notices.**

- (X) All Board members are present.
  
- (X) Upon motion of Supervisor Long, seconded by Supervisor Zaragoza, and duly carried, the Board hereby approves the recommendations as stated in the respective Board letters for Consent Items 12 - 33.

By:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori Gaines". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Lori Gaines  
Deputy Clerk of the Board