



# Bella Mente Montessori Academy

## **Board of Directors**

Scott Moote, President  
James Smith, Treasurer  
Greg McGuire, Secretary

## **Bella Mente Charter School Special Board Meeting Agenda January 13, 2026**

**Meeting Location:** 1737 W. Vista Way, Vista, California 92083

**Virtual participation:** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3098066878396252245>

(BMMA endeavors to provide virtual public participation on a voluntary basis. This option may not be provided for all Board Meetings.)

**You can also dial in using your phone.**

United States: 1 (631) 992-3221

**Access Code:** 182-871-669

**Closed Session: at 6:30 PM**

**Open Session: when the closed session adjourns**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Members of the public can view the meeting via livestream and can participate in the meeting electronically via GotoWebinar. Members of the public who would like to address the Board may do so in person at the meeting location, or may do so electronically by emailing [board@bellamentecharter.org](mailto:board@bellamentecharter.org) prior to start of the meeting to request a hold card / time to speak, or by responding when the Board Chair confirms public commenters for each item. The hold cards will be issued as early as 6:00pm up until the meeting is called to order. Members of the public need not submit their comments in advance.

**CLOSED SESSION: at 6:30 PM (NONE)**

**OPEN SESSION: when the closed session adjourns**

### **I. Call to order, roll call and establishment of quorum**

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AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	Board Member
				Scott Moote
				Greg McGuire
				James Smith

### **II. CLOSED SESSION (One)**

#### **A. Public comment on closed session items**

1. In accordance with Government Code Section 54956.8, the Board will meet in closed session to consider: REAL ESTATE MATTERS- NONE
2. In accordance with Government Code Section 54957.6, the Board will meet in closed session to consider: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EVALUATION - NONE
3. In accordance with Government Code Section 54956.9, the Board will meet in closed session to consider: CONFERENCE

WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Gov. Code §54956.9(d)(2) and/or §54956.9(d)(4) - NONE

4. In accordance with Government Code Section 54956.9, the Board will meet in closed session to consider: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION NONE

### III. OPEN SESSION/REGULAR MEETING

Call to order, roll call and establishment of quorum

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AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	Board Member
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				Greg McGuire
				James Smith

#### A. REPORTABLE ACTION ITEMS CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION

#### B. NONAGENDA PUBLIC COMMENTS (20 MINUTES TOTAL)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNITY MEMBERS:** Any member of the public who wishes to speak to an agenda item not on the agenda but regarding school business may do so at this time. The hold cards will be issued as early as 6:00pm up until the meeting is called to order. Individual speakers will be allowed up to three (3) minutes to address the Board on each agenda or non-agenda item, and the Board will limit the total time for public comments on each item to twenty (20) minutes.

In an effort to hear as many speakers as possible, comment times may be shortened by the Board Chair (depending on the number of speakers on any agenda or non-agenda item). The Board Chair may also extend the time limits for comments, and/or may move additional comments beyond a specific time allotment to later in the meeting, in order to provide sufficient time for the Board to conduct the Board's business during the meeting.

Bella Mente Charter School welcomes your participation at Board meetings. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our school.

#### C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Recommended motion: Approve the agenda for the January 13, 2026 Board of Directors Meeting.

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AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	Board Member
				Scott Moote
				Dan Niebaum
				Greg McGuire
				James Smith

#### D. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Executive Director Announcements** - Erin Feeley will provide legislative, safety & risk management, special education updates and fiscal projection updates. NONE
- Monthly Financial Board Report** - Joshua Eng, Regional School Business Director from CSMC will report on the monthly financial report. NONE
- Campus Report**- Patrick Broughton, Director of Compliance will report on performance updates. NONE
- Enrollment Report**- Gladys Espino, Director of Support Services: NONE

#### E. CONSENT CALENDAR/ROUTINE ITEMS OF BUSINESS

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered by the Board in one action. There will be no discussion of these items prior to the time the Board votes on the motion, unless members of the Board, staff, or public request specific items to be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar.

1. Minutes from the 12/17//2025 Board of Directors Meeting
2. Minutes from the 12/17/2025 Board of Directors Meeting #2
3. Check Registers - 12/2025
4. Recommended action on the personnel activity list
5. Approval of the 2024–25 School Accountability Report Card (SARC) as required by Education Code §33126

*Executive Director's Recommendation: Approve Consent Calendar*

*Public Comment*

<b>Moved By</b>		<b>Seconded By</b>	
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#### F. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. NA

*Executive Director's Recommendation: N/A*

*Public Comment*

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#### IV. ADJOURNMENT

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				Greg McGuire

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End of Meeting at:  
Next Meeting: February 10, 2026

**Instructions for Comments to the Board by Members of the Community**

Bella Mente Charter School welcomes your participation at meetings of the Board of Directors. The purpose of the Board’s public meeting is to conduct the affairs of the school in public. We hope that you will visit these meetings often and your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our school. To assist you in speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided.

- 1. The agenda is available to all community members. Please note that the order of consideration of items on the agenda may be changed without prior notice.
- 2. Community members who wish to speak on any agenda items or under the general category of “Public Comment” will be given an opportunity to do so.
- 3. “Public Comment” is set aside for members of the community to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. However, due to public meeting laws (Brown Act), the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes and total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed twenty (20) minutes. Exceptions to these time limits may be made at the discretion of the Board Chair. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concerns or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen requested agenda item.
- 4. With regard to items that are on the agenda, you may speak for up to (3) minutes when the Board discusses that item. Exceptions to this time may be made at the discretion of the Board Chair.
- 5. Community members may request in writing that a topic related to school business be considered for placement on a future agenda. Requests should be addressed to the Board Chair and emailed to [board@bellamentecharter.org](mailto:board@bellamentecharter.org). If such an item is placed on the agenda and publicly noticed, the Board can respond, interact, and act upon the item. There is no right to have an item placed on the agenda.
- 6. Any person with a disability who requires a modification or a reasonable accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, to participate in a public meeting of the Board of Directors may request such modification or accommodation by contacting Bella Mente Charter School, 1737 W. Vista Way, Vista, California 92083, or by telephone at 760-621-8931, or by email at [board@bellamentecharter.org](mailto:board@bellamentecharter.org). Please make any requests at least 12 hours prior to the meeting.
- 7. For more information concerning this agenda, please contact Bella Mente Charter School, 1737 W. Vista Way, Vista, California 92083, or by telephone at 760-621-8931, or by email at [board@bellamentecharter.org](mailto:board@bellamentecharter.org).

Approved on: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Board Member	Signature of Board Member
Name:	Name: