

**SANTA MARIA-BONITA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

**Application for Appointment**

The Board of Education is inviting community members to apply to serve on the District's Citizens' Oversight Committee, which is being established as a result of at least 55 percent of voters in the District voting in favor of Measure K2024 at the November 5, 2024 election (hereinafter referred to as the "Bond Measure"). The Bond Measure was conducted pursuant to paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the Constitution of the State of California (added pursuant to Proposition 39 in November 2000). The California Education Code requires that a Citizens' Oversight Committee be established if a school bond is passed pursuant to a 55 percent (super-majority) approval.

Pursuant to the California Education Code, the general duties of the Committee are to:

- Ensure the Bond Measure funds are spent only on projects listed in the Bond Measure, and that no funds are used for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.
- Receive and review copies of the annual financial and performance audits with respect to the projects listed in the Bond Measure as required by the laws of the State of California.
- Provide information to the public concerning the expenditure of bond funds.

The Committee is required to meet at least annually, but will likely meet quarterly. For more information, call Matthew E. Beecher at (805) 361-8131.

To apply, the following are required:

- Letter of Application: Briefly describe the qualifications, educational background, community service, professional skills and experience, or expertise that qualifies you for membership on this Committee, and why you wish to serve on the Committee.
- Application Form: (attached)

**Please submit the above two (2) items by February 15, 2025 to:**

**Name: Matthew E. Beecher-Deputy Superintendent for Business Services**

**Santa Maria-Bonita School District**

**Citizens' Oversight Committee  
Application for Appointment**

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (home): \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (work): \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_ Length: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

The following information will be used to comply with the California Education Code requirements concerning independent Citizens' Oversight Committee membership as well as the Bylaws of the Citizens' Oversight Committee. The Education Code and Committee Bylaws require that the Committee have at least one member representing each of first five categories. Representatives-at-Large will also be considered for membership.

**Membership position(s) that applicant is qualified to fill – check all that apply.**

- Active in business organization representing the business community located within the Santa Maria-Bonita School District

Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

- Active in senior citizens' organization.

Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

- A parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the Santa Maria-Bonita School District.

Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

- Both (i) a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the Santa Maria-Bonita School District and (ii) active in a parent-teacher organization.

Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

- Active in a bona fide taxpayers' organization.

Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

- Representative-at-Large.

Are you, to the best of your knowledge, able to maintain qualification in the membership position(s) checked above for a two-year period?    Yes                      No    (circle)

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1. Are you at least 18 years old and a citizen of the State of California? Yes No

2. Are you an employee or public official of the Santa Maria-Bonita School District? Yes No

Note: Employees and public officials of the District are prohibited by law from being members of the committee.

3. Are you a vendor, contractor or consultant to the Santa Maria-Bonita School District? Yes No

Note: Vendors, contractors and consultants to the District are prohibited by law from being members of the committee.

4. Are you able to complete at least one two-year term as a member of the Committee and refrain from becoming an employee, vendor, contractor, or consultant of the Santa Maria-Bonita School District? Yes No

5. Are you a resident of the Santa Maria-Bonita School District? Yes No  
Years residing in District: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Are there any conflicts of interest or any potential conflicts of interest (real estate, litigation, business) which would interfere with your duties as a member of this committee? If yes, please explain: Yes No

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**Certification of Applicant**

I hereby certify that I have reviewed the Bylaws of the Citizens' Oversight Committee and acknowledge and understand that the sole purpose of the Citizens' Oversight Committee is to inform the public concerning the expenditures of bond proceeds for the Bond Measure. I hereby certify that the answers and statements in this application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date