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Subject: FPPC General Counsel to Report on CBOCs and Statements of Economic Interests

EXTERNAL EMAIL

May 6, 2024

Dear Friends of Public Education Across the Santa Clarita Valley

I want to make you aware of an important meeting of the FPPC Law and Legal Policy committee on Tuesday March 7, 2024 at 10 AM.

Esteemed General Counsel David Bainbridge will present his long awaited report on Citizen Bond Oversight Committees and conditions that may necessitate members filing a Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700).

https://www.fppc.ca.gov/about-fppc/hearings-meetings-workshops/committee-meetings/committee-past-agendas/law-policy-committee/2024-agendas/may-2024-agenda.html

The issue is at the top of the agenda and I expect riveting questions from Committee members.

I encourage all of you to present public comment.

I invite the leadership at College of the Canyons, the Saugus Union School District, the William S Hart School District, Newhall Union, Sulphur Springs and Castaic Union to watch and participate as you feel appropriate.

I hope that the FPPC's General Counsel will give clear guidance whether CBOCs are to be considered as simply ministerial / ceremonial , or advisory under the Education Code and the Political Reform Act.

It is vitally important to the public interest to have clarity for local agencies having trouble deciding whether to place CBOCs under their Conflict of Interest codes.

This will be a great opportunity for those in positions of decision making to voice your opinion by providing public comment.
I wish all of you well and thank you for your service to the stakeholders in the Santa Clarita Valley.
Regards,
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