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[info] Formal Brown Act Request: Agenda Item – Student Transit Safety at Miller Creek Middle School

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To the Board of Trustees, Superintendent, and Marin Transit Leadership,

This email constitutes a formal request, under the Brown Act, that the recurring after-school transit issue affecting Miller Creek Middle School students be placed on a forthcoming Board agenda for public discussion and action.

Please include this communication in the official public record.

Students who rely on Marin Transit are currently directed to an off-campus public bus stop at dismissal. Buses routinely arrive prior to dismissal and do not wait. As a result, students are frequently left unsupervised for extended periods often 30 to 40 minutes off school grounds.

This is not an isolated occurrence. It is a consistent and foreseeable operational gap.

The current conditions raise clear concerns regarding:

- student safety and lack of supervision at dismissal
- exposure to weather without shelter
- loss of access to after-school academic and athletic programs
- inequitable impact on students dependent on public transportation

Because no alternative school transportation is provided, this is effectively a system level failure affecting a defined group of students. This issue has been raised with both the school district and the transit agency multiple times over the past 12 months and remains unresolved. Prior communications have not resulted in meaningful action.

A comparable and safer model already exists locally with Marin Transit. Redwood High School in Marin County coordinates transit pickups aligned with dismissal, demonstrating that a workable solution is both feasible and already implemented within the same jurisdiction.

Given the above, I am requesting the following:

1. Placement of this issue on the next available Board agenda
2. Coordination with Marin Transit to evaluate immediate operational adjustments
3. Identification of a responsible party and timeline for resolution

In addition please that this matter will be on the next agenda.

We can discuss live the anticipated timeline for Board review and what interim steps, if any, will be taken to address student safety.

Given the ongoing nature of this situation and its direct impact on student safety, I will also be raising this matter during public comment.

For clarity, this is not an issue of school level performance. Leadership and staff at Miller Creek Middle School are operating within the limitations of the current system and do keep students safe while on campus. The underlying issue is a lack of coordination between the responsible agencies and the risk created by bus timing that does not align with dismissal.

As I have previously noted in writing, a simple adjustment having the bus pause briefly at dismissal rather than arriving several minutes early and driving by would materially improve student safety. The current approach appears to prioritize on-time performance metrics over safe and reliable student access.

This is a preventable issue with an existing local model for resolution. It warrants timely and transparent action.

Sincerely,
Adam Melenkivitz

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Thank you for your response.

For clarity the issue is not whether Route 57 is operating "as designed." The issue is that the current design is leaving middle school students unsupervised off campus for 30–40 minutes on a recurring basis.

Confirming that the 2:51pm bus is not intended to serve students and that buses may pass by prior to dismissal reinforces the core concern, the system is knowingly misaligned with school dismissal and creates a predictable student safety gap.

Separately, I have submitted a CPRA request for records related to Route 57 stop timing to Marin Transit. This will be interesting in terms of ridership and real time arrival data.

This is not a theoretical concern. It is a daily, foreseeable condition affecting a defined group of students who rely on public transit and have no alternative transportation.

As previously noted a comparable model already exists locally. Marin Transit aligns service with dismissal at Redwood High School. The question is not feasibility it is prioritization.

Your response indicates:

- No operational adjustments will be made
- The issue will not be placed on a Board agenda
- The current conditions are considered acceptable

To be transparent I'll be working on

- Which agenda is accountable for student safety during the 30–40 minute gap after dismissal
- Whether Marin Transit and the District acknowledge this as or could be a safety risk
- What criteria would trigger a service adjustment, if current conditions do not

Please ensure this correspondence is included in the public record.

Given the ongoing nature of this issue, I will also be raising this during public comment.

This is a solvable coordination issue with an existing local model. It warrants action.

Sincerely and kindly,
Adam

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