



**YPI CHARTER SCHOOLS  
Inter-Office Correspondence**

**TO:** YPI Charter Schools  
Board of Trustees  
**FROM:** Yvette King-Berg  
Executive Director

**DATE:** February 05, 2024

**SUBJECT: Brown Act Training Presentation - Janelle Ruley, Young, Minney & Corr, LLP**

**BACKGROUND**

The Ralph M. Brown Act is an act of the [California State Legislature](#), authored by Assemblymember [Ralph M. Brown](#) and passed in 1953, that guarantees the public's right to attend and participate in meetings of local legislative bodies.

The Brown Act was enacted in response to public concerns over informal, undisclosed meetings held by local elected officials. The Brown Act solely applies to California city and county government agencies, boards, and councils. The comparable [Bagley-Keene Act](#) mandates open meetings for State government agencies.

**ANALYSIS**

As a charter public school board, the Fenton Charter Public Schools Board of Directors is required to follow the provisions of the Brown Act. Janelle Ruley, attorney with Young, Minney and Corr LLP, will present the provisions of the act, and updates related to the impact of COVID-19 and the re-opening of schools and the workplace, to ensure continued compliance with all aspects of the law.

**RECOMMENDATION**

This is an information item only, with a formal presentation by Ms. Ruley, and no action is required.

**Attachment: YMC Brown Act Training Presentation**