



Magnolia Public Schools

Regular Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday September 14, 2026 at 6:00 PM PDT

Location

Home Office: 250 E. 1st Street, Suite 1500, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Access to the Board Meeting

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- Magnolia Science Academy-1 (18238 Sherman Way, Reseda, CA 91335)
- Magnolia Science Academy-2 (17125 Victory Blvd, Van Nuys, CA 91406)
- Magnolia Science Academy-3 (1254 E Helmick St, Carson, CA 90746)
- Magnolia Science Academy-4 (11330 W Graham Place, Los Angeles, CA 90064)
- Magnolia Science Academy-5 (18238 Sherman Way, Reseda, CA 91335)
- Magnolia Science Academy-6 (745 S. Wilton Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90005)
- Magnolia Science Academy-7 (18355 Roscoe Boulevard, Northridge, CA 91325)
- Magnolia Science Academy-8 (6411 Orchard Ave, Bell, CA 90201)
- Magnolia Science Academy-Santa Ana (2840 W 1st Street, Santa Ana, CA 92703)
- Magnolia Science Academy-San Diego (6525 Estrella Ave, San Diego, CA 92120)
- Magnolia Science Academy-Orange County Anaheim (412 W. Carl Karcher Way, Anaheim, CA 92801)

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6525 Estrella Ave, San Diego, CA 92120 (**Dr. Salih Dikbas**)

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Board Members:

Mr. Mekan Muhammedov, Chair
Ms. Sandra Covarrubias, Vice-Chair
Dr. Umit Yapanel
Dr. Salih Dikbas
Ms. Diane Gonzalez
Mr. Serdar Orazov

Student Board Member:

Ms. Ilemi Cordoba

CEO & Superintendent:

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			6:00 PM
Opening Items			
A. Call the Meeting to Order			1 m
B. Pledge of Allegiance			1 m
C. Record Attendance and Guests			1 m
D. Approval of Agenda	Vote		1 m
E. Public Comments			6 m
F. Announcements - CEO & Superintendent, Board, Student Board Member			5 m
G. Approval of Minutes from MPS Regular Board Meeting and Board Retreat - August 15, 2026	Approve Minutes		1 m
II. Closed Session			6:16 PM
A. Public Announcement of Closed Session	FYI		1 m
B. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (§ 54957) - Title: CEO & Superintendent			30 m
C. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation pursuant to (§54956.9): 1 case			15 m
D. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (§54956.9): 1 case			10 m
E. Report Out of Closed Session	FYI		1 m
III. Information/Discussion Items			7:13 PM

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A. Magnolia Public Schools (MPS) Annual Authorizer Oversight Reports From Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) and Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD)	Discuss	David Yilmaz	15 m
B. Enrollment Update	Discuss	Brenda Olivares	5 m
IV. Consent Items			7:33 PM
A. Approval of After School Education and Safety (ASES) Memorandum of Agreement with YMCA and San Diego County Office of Education for Magnolia Science Academy-San Diego	Vote	Megan Craig	3 m
B. Approval of the Updated Magnolia Public Schools (MPS) Employee Handbook for 2026-2027	Vote	Fiorella Del Carpio	3 m
V. Action Items			7:39 PM
A. Approval of Revised Preliminary, Non-Binding Stifel Engagement and Authorization to Submit a California School Finance Authority (CSFA) Application for Potential 2026C / 2026D Financing	Vote	Cafer Turan	10 m
B. Approval of Construction and Contractor Change Orders for the Magnolia Science Academy-5 (7111 Winnetka) Project	Vote	Patrick Ontiveros	10 m
C. Approval of 2025-26 Unaudited Actuals Reports	Vote	Cafer Turan	15 m
D. Approval of Board Resolution for Creation of Positions Across MPS Network for the Improvement of Educational Programs for Students for the 2026-27 School Year	Vote	Fiorella Del Carpio	10 m
E. Prop 28 Arts and Music in Schools Funding Annual Reports for the 2025-26 Fiscal Year for All Magnolia Public Schools	Vote	Gokhan Serce	10 m

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F. Approval of Resolution Authorizing a Programmatic Trip to China	Vote	Gokhan Serce	15 m
G. Approval of Current Conflict of Interest Code & Policy and Submission of 2026 Multi-County Agency Biennial Notice to FPPC	Vote	Alfredo Rubalcava	5 m
VI. Closing Items			8:54 PM
A. Adjourn Meeting			1 m