



## Magnolia Public Schools

### Academic Committee Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday January 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM PST

#### **Location**

<https://zoom.us/j/95296224921?pwd=SE1KQ3JoYUIDcW5NbFRicWFkZERVQT09>

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#### **Academic Committee Members:**

Ms. Diane Gonzalez, Chair

Ms. Sandra Covarrubias

Dr. Salih Dikbas (alternate)

#### **CEO and Superintendent:**

Mr. Alfredo Rubalcava

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#### **Agenda**

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>I. Opening Items</b>			<b>6:00 PM</b>
A. Call the Meeting to Order			1 m
B. Record Attendance and Guests			1 m
C. Approval of the Agenda	Vote		1 m
D. Public Comments			3 m
E. Announcement from CEO & Superintendent & Committee Members			3 m
F. Approval of Minutes from MPS Academic Committee Meeting - December 7, 2021	Approve Minutes		1 m
G. Approval of Minutes from MPS Academic Committee Meeting - December 13, 2021	Approve Minutes		1 m
<b>II. Recommended Action Item</b>			<b>6:11 PM</b>
A. Committee Approval of Findings to Conduct Virtual Meetings Pursuant of AB 361/Government Code Section 54953	Vote	A.Rubalcava	5 m
<b>III. Closing Items</b>			<b>6:16 PM</b>
A. Adjourn Meeting			1 m

## Coversheet

### Approval of Minutes from MPS Academic Committee Meeting - December 7, 2021

<b>Section:</b>	I. Opening Items
<b>Item:</b> December 7, 2021	F. Approval of Minutes from MPS Academic Committee Meeting -
<b>Purpose:</b>	Approve Minutes
<b>Submitted by:</b>	
<b>Related Material:</b>	Minutes for Academic Committee Meeting on December 7, 2021

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## Magnolia Public Schools

### Minutes

#### Academic Committee Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Tue Dec 7, 2021 at 6:00 PM

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**Location:** Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/95296224921?pwd=SE1KQ3JoYUIDcW5NbFRicWFkZERVQT09>

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**Academic Committee Members:**

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**Committee Members Present**

D. Gonzalez (remote), S. Covarrubias (remote)

**Committee Members Absent**

*None*

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**I. Opening Items****A. Call the Meeting to Order**

D. Gonzalez called a meeting of the Academic Committee of Magnolia Public Schools to order on Tuesday Dec 7, 2021 at 6:02 PM.

**B. Record Attendance and Guests**

Refer to attendance information stated above.

**C.**

## Public Comments

There were no public comments

### D. Approval of the Agenda

S. Covarrubias made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

D. Gonzalez Aye

S. Covarrubias Aye

### E. Announcement from CEO & Superintendent & Committee Members

There were no announcements or comments.

### F. Approval of Minutes From Regular Academic Committee Meeting - September 2, 2021

D. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Academic Committee Meeting on 09-02-21.

S. Covarrubias seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

S. Covarrubias Aye

D. Gonzalez Aye

## II. Recommended Action Item

### A. Committee Approval of Findings to Conduct Virtual Meetings Pursuant of AB 361/Government Code Section 54953

Academic Committee considered the circumstances of the State of Emergency related to COVID-19 in which meeting in person can directly impact the ability of the Board and public to meet safely. As such, local officials are still continuing to recommend measures to promote social distancing.

D. Gonzalez made a motion to adopt the findings relating to the ability of the Magnolia Public Schools Academic Committee to conduct meetings due to teleconference during the State of Emergency, in reference to AB 361/Government Code Section 54953.

S. Covarrubias seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

D. Gonzalez Aye

S. Covarrubias Aye

## III. Discussion Items

### A. Academic Department Updates

E.Acar, Chief Academic Officer, updated the committee members on the following items: student achievement and progress, interim assessment data for math and ELA, MPS Independent study program, upcoming PDs and events, Authorizer and WASC visits, ADA data, and Suspension and Expulsion information. In addition, members of the Academic Team had the opportunity to present to the committee what they are currently working on, how they are supporting the school sites, with other highlights and/or events.

### B.

### **Upcoming Accountability Items for the Board**

D.Yilamz, Chief Accountability Officer, announced the upcoming accountability items in which the board will see on the agenda until the end of the year. Items he discussed were the following: Educator Effectiveness Block Grant Plans, School Accountability Report Cards (SARC), LCAP mid-year supplement, School Calendars, Survey Results and Reflections, A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plans, Local Performance Indicators, Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAP), and Student/ Parent Handbook. All items on the list included short background information, deadlines, when items would be brought to the board, and adoption date.

## **IV. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
D. Gonzalez

## Coversheet

### Approval of Minutes from MPS Academic Committee Meeting - December 13, 2021

**Section:** I. Opening Items  
**Item:** G. Approval of Minutes from MPS Academic Committee Meeting -  
December 13, 2021  
**Purpose:** Approve Minutes  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** Minutes for Academic Committee Meeting on December 13, 2021

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## Magnolia Public Schools

### Minutes

#### Academic Committee Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Mon Dec 13, 2021 at 7:00 AM

**Location**

<https://zoom.us/j/95296224921?pwd=SE1KQ3JoYUIDcW5NbFRicWFkZERVQT09>

**Meeting ID:** 952 9622 4921 | **Passcode:** 359662

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**Academic Committee Members:**

Ms. Diane Gonzalez, Chair

Ms. Sandra Covarrubias

Dr. Salih Dikbas (alternate)

**CEO and Superintendent:**

Mr. Alfredo Rubalcava

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**Committee Members Present**

D. Gonzalez (remote), S. Covarrubias (remote)

**Committee Members Absent**

*None*

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**I. Opening Items****A. Call the Meeting to Order**

D. Gonzalez called a meeting of the Academic Committee of Magnolia Public Schools to order on Monday Dec 13, 2021 at 7:00 AM.

**B. Record Attendance and Guests**

Refer to attendance information stated above.

**C.**



### **Approval of the Agenda**

D. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.  
S. Covarrubias seconded the motion.  
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

D. Gonzalez Aye  
S. Covarrubias Aye

### **D. Public Comments**

There were no public comments

### **E. Announcement from CEO & Superintendent & Committee Members**

A. Rubalcava, Chief External Officer and Superintendent did not have any updates at this time.

## **II. Recommended Action Item**

### **A. Committee Approval of Findings to Conduct Virtual Meetings Pursuant of AB 361/Government Code Section 54953**

Academic Committee considered the circumstances of the State of Emergency related to COVID-19 in which meeting in person can directly impact the ability of the Board and public to meet safely. As such, local officials are still continuing to recommend measures to promote social distancing.

S. Covarrubias made a motion to adopt the findings relating to the ability of the Magnolia Public Schools Academic Committee to conduct meetings due to teleconference during the State of Emergency, in reference to AB 361/Government Code Section 54953.

D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

S. Covarrubias Aye  
D. Gonzalez Aye

## **III. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
D. Gonzalez

# Coversheet

## Committee Approval of Findings to Conduct Virtual Meetings Pursuant of AB 361/Government Code Section 54953

**Section:** II. Recommended Action Item  
**Item:** A. Committee Approval of Findings to Conduct Virtual Meetings Pursuant  
of AB 361/Government Code Section 54953  
**Purpose:** Vote  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** AB 361 Findings for Academic Committee (Jan.12).pdf



Board Agenda Item #	II A: Recommended Action Item
Date:	January 12, 2021
To:	Magnolia Public Schools – Academic Committee
From:	Alfredo Rubalcava, CEO & Superintendent
Staff Lead:	Alfredo Rubalcava, CEO & Superintendent
RE:	Committee Approval of Findings to Conduct Virtual Meetings Pursuant to AB 361/Government Code Section 54953

### **Proposed Board Recommendation**

I move for the Academic Committee to adopt the findings relating to the ability of the Magnolia Public Schools Academic Committee to conduct meetings due to teleconference during the State of Emergency, in reference to AB 361/Government Code Section 54953.

### **Introduction**

In September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed executive order Assembly Bill (AB) 361 into law which gives local agencies, included local educational agencies (LEA) governing boards, flexibility in conducting public meetings virtually during a declared state of emergency. While AB 361 offers flexibilities similar to the expiring Executive Order N-29-20, there are some key difference in regards to public comment and meeting operations.

In order for Magnolia Public Schools (MPS) Board Meetings to trigger the AB 361 teleconferencing provisions, any of the following circumstances must follow:

- The legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency, and state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing
- The legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency for the purpose of determining by majority vote whether, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees
- The legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency and has determined by majority vote that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees

Requirements under this new law include; notice of the meeting and post agendas as the Brown Act requires on our MPS websites and school sites; allow public to access the meeting and give notice for how the public can access the

meeting; include in the agenda an opportunity for all persons to attend via call-in or internet-based service; provides opportunity for the public to offer comment in the real time; provide public comment period; conduct meetings in a manner that protects the statutory and constitutional rights of the parties and the public appearing before the board; in an event of a disruption that prevents MPS from broadcasting the meeting or prevents members of the public from offering public comment, the meeting must stop and no action can be taken until access is restored.

MPS Board of Directors must make the following findings every 30 days by majority vote in order to continue utilizing the bills teleconferencing provisions which include:

- The legislative body has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency
- Any of the following circumstances exist:
  - The state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person
  - State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing

### **Background**

In March 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20, which, among other things, temporarily suspended certain Brown Act teleconference meeting requirements for as long as public health agencies have imposed or recommended social distancing measures, as the COVID-19 pandemic has made them unsafe. This law will sunset through September 30, 2021.

### **Analysis**

As recommended by MPS legal counsel, Young, Minney & Corr, LLP all MPS Committee's must vote on a separate findings for those Committee's to follow the provisions under AB 361.

### **Budget Implications**

N/A

### **Exhibits (Attachments):**

- Findings for Academic Committee Pursuant to Government Code 54953(e)(3)



**EACH THIRTY DAYS THEREAFTER FOR ACADEMIC COMMITTEE**

Magnolia Public Schools

**Magnolia Public Schools Academic Committee findings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3)**

The Magnolia Public Schools Academic Committee has reconsidered the circumstances of the State of Emergency declared by the Governor on March 4, 2020, and finds the State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the Committee members to meet safely in person and/or that State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

DATE: January 12, 2021

**VOTE**

AYE:

NOES:

ABSENT:

BOARD SECRETARY: \_\_\_\_\_