



Board Agenda Item #	III A – Action Item
Date:	May 14, 2020
To:	Magnolia Public Schools Board of Directors
From:	Alfredo Rubalcava, CEO & Superintendent
Staff Lead:	Alfredo Rubalcava, CEO & Superintendent
RE:	Resolution: Withdrawal of MSA-6 Charter Petition Material Revision

Proposed Board Motion

I move that the MPS board approve the resolution that authorizes the MPS CEO and Superintendent, Alfredo Rubalcava, to withdraw the MSA-6 Material Revision submission from LAUSD’s consideration.

Introduction

The resolution brought forth details the withdrawal of the MSA-6 Material Revision submission from LAUSD. Previously, the board approved the merger and all actions taken towards the submission of the material revision. Given the current pandemic, the MPS team believes the best course of action is to rescind the submission and revisit during the next academic year for a possible resubmission. In addition, the material revision timelines set forth by the Charter School Division at LAUSD have been impacted as a result of the pandemic. Therefore, the team decided to rescind the submission and is bringing the resolution to the full board for approval.

With the approval of this resolution, the merger would not take effect. MSA-6 would continue serving grades 6-8 and MSA-4 would continue operation serving grades 6-12 during the 2020-21 school year.

Background

The Los Angeles Unified School District currently authorizes Magnolia Science Academy 4 and Magnolia Science Academy 6. The resolution being approved addresses the request to withdraw the material revision for Magnolia Science Academy 6’s charter petition to reflect a merger with Magnolia Science Academy 4. Over the years, MSA 4 has experienced a decline in enrollment, which has resulted in fewer classrooms for the 131 6-12<sup>th</sup> graders. In response, MPS is actively pursuing new enrollment opportunities and strategies to increase enrollment at MSA-4.

Analysis (If applicable)

- NA

Budget Implications

- NA

Exhibits (attachments):

- Resolution: Withdrawal of Material Revision to Merge MSA-4 into MSA-6

**Resolution of the Board of Directors No. 20200514-01**  
**of**  
**Magnolia Education and Research Foundation**

**Withdrawal of Material Revision to Merge MSA-4 into MSA-6**

**WHEREAS** the Board of Directors of Magnolia Education and Research Foundation, doing business as Magnolia Public Schools (the “Board”) previously approved Resolution No. 20200213-01 authorizing submission of a material revision to merge Magnolia Science Academy-4 into Magnolia Science Academy-6; and

**WHEREAS**, the school closures and physical distancing mandates stemming from the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic have prevented Los Angeles Unified School District’s Charter Schools Division from timely processing the submitted material revision request and the LAUSD Board of Education from taking action on the request.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board directs its Chief Executive Officer, Alfredo Rubalcava, to withdraw the material revision submission from LAUSD’s consideration.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Directors has adopted the above resolution by the following vote at a regular Board meeting this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Mr. Haim Beliak	
Dr. Umit Yapanel	
Mr. Serdar Orazov	
Dr. Salih Dikbas	
Ms. Sandra Covarrubias	
Ms. Diane Gonzalez	
Mr. Mekan Muhammedov	

AYES:

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ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Haim Beliak, Chair