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## Magnolia Public Schools

### Minutes

#### Regular Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Thursday February 9, 2017 at 6:00 PM

**Location**

MSA 1: 18238 Sherman Way Reseda, CA 91335 (Gymnasium)

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#### AGENDA

##### Regular Meeting of the MPS Board of Directors

**MPS Board Members:**

Ms. Noel Russell- Unterburger, President

Dr. Umit Yapanel, Secretary

Mr. Serdar Orazov, Treasurer

Dr. Saken Sherkhanov

Dr. Salih Dikbas

Dr. Remzi Oten

Ms. Diane Gonzalez

Mr. Nguyen Huynh

**CEO & Superintendent:**

Dr. Caprice Young

**II A. Conference with Legal Counsel—Anticipated Litigation**

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: two cases

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**Directors Present**

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D. Gonzalez, N. Huynh (remote), N. Russell-Unterburger (remote), S. Dikbas (remote), S. Orazov, S. Sherkhonov, U. Yapanel

**Directors Absent**

R. Oten

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Call the Meeting to Order**

N. Russell-Unterburger called a meeting of the board of directors of Magnolia Public Schools to order on Thursday Feb 9, 2017 at 7:18 PM.

**B. Record Attendance and Guests**

The following board members attending in person from MSA-1; D. Gonzalez, S. Sherkhonov, U. Yapanel, S. Orazov (arrived 7:42 pm).  
S. Dikbas joined in person from MSA- San Diego. N. Huynh and N. Unterburger joined remotely from the addresses stated in the agenda.

**C. Pledge of Allegiance**

T. Velazquez, Communications Associate, lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**D. Public Comments**

Five (5) parents from MSA-Santa Ana, one (1) parent from MSA-2 presented their public comments to the Board. They presented concerns regarding the facilities, after school program, playground and academic support. Parents also presented their gratitude and support of Magnolia schools. There were over 30 parents and over 30 students from different Magnolia Science Academies who joined the meeting in person and a few parents joined from our remote locations.

**E. Oral Communications**

There were no oral communications.

**F. Approval of the Agenda**

U. Yapanel made a motion to move Closed Session discussion to the end of the agenda.  
D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

N. Huynh	Aye
U. Yapanel	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
S. Sherkhonov	Aye

**Roll Call**

D. Gonzalez Aye  
N. Russell-Unterburger No  
S. Orazov Aye  
R. Oten Absent

S. Sherkhanov made a motion to approve the modified agenda with the change requested to move the Closed Session discussion to the end of the meeting.

D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Dikbas Aye  
D. Gonzalez Aye  
N. Russell-Unterburger No  
N. Huynh Aye  
S. Orazov Aye  
U. Yapanel Aye  
R. Oten Absent  
S. Sherkhanov Aye

**G. Approve Minutes of Regular Board Meeting- January 19, 2017**

N. Russell-Unterburger made a motion to approve minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on 01-19-17 as presented. Regular Board Meeting on 01-19-17.

S. Sherkhanov seconded the motion.

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

**H. Approve Minutes of Special Board Meeting- January 19, 2017**

N. Russell-Unterburger made a motion to approve minutes from the Special Board Meeting on 01-19-17 as presented. Special Board Meeting on 01-19-17.

S. Sherkhanov seconded the motion.

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

**II. Closed Session Items**

**A. II A. Conference with Legal Counsel—Anticipated Litigation: Two Cases**

The Board went into Closed Session after all action and consent items were presented. Open session was recessed because quorum was lost during Closed Session. The Board will report out from Closed Session and will adjourn the meeting at a time that is yet to be determined.

**III. Consent Agenda**

**A. Approval of MSA San Diego Camp Expenses Payment to San Diego County of Education (SDCOE)**

S. Sherkhanov made a motion to approve the payment to San Diego County Office of Education (SDCOE) for the 6th grade camp expenses not to exceed \$33,000. The item was discussed and approved outside of consent agenda.

S. Orazov seconded the motion.

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

**B. Approval of MSA San Diego ASES After School MOU with YMCA**

S. Sherkhanov made a motion to approve the Chief Executive Officer and Superintendent of Magnolia Public Schools to sign the Memorandum of Agreement for MSA-SD After School ASES Program with YMCA of San Diego County. This item was approved under consent agenda.

N. Russell-Unterburger seconded the motion.

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

**C. Approval of Filing for 2015-16 IRS Form 990 for MPS**

S. Sherkhanov made a motion to approve the filing of IRS Form 990 for fiscal year 2015-16 due February 15, 2017. This item was approved under consent agenda.

N. Russell-Unterburger seconded the motion.

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

**D. Approval of Certification of Signatures Form for Charter School Funds Distribution Authorization**

S. Sherkhanov made a motion to approve the Certification of Signature Forms for Charter School Funds Distribution Authorization, signatures valid through June 30, 2017. This item was approved in consent agenda.

N. Russell-Unterburger seconded the motion.

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

**IV. Action Items**

**A. Board Nominations**

U. Yapanel, Board Secretary, introduced Haim Dov Beliak, whom was present in person and gave the board and public a brief description of himself including his professional background and involvement in the community.

U. Yapanel made a motion to appoint Haim Dov Beliak as the new MPS Board member.

D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

U. Yapanel	Aye
N. Russell-Unterburger	No
N. Huynh	No
R. Oten	Absent

**Roll Call**

S. Sherkhanov	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Orazov	Aye

**B. Reso. Agreeing to the Conditions of Authorization for each MSA-1,MSA-2, and MSA-3**

A. Rubalcava, Chief External Officer, presented the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to the Board. He explained that MPS staff has read and understand the MOU. The Board asked questions in regards to the details in the MOU and how they apply to MPS and all other charters approved by Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE). All questions from the Board were addressed by MPS staff.

S. Orazov made a motion to agree to the provisions of the Conditions of Authorization for each Magnolia Science Academy-1, (“MSA-1”), Magnolia Science Academy-2, (“MSA-2”), and Magnolia Science Academy-3 (“MSA-3”) as prepared by the Los Angeles County Office of Education.

S. Sherkhanov seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

R. Oten	Absent
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
S. Sherkhanov	Aye
N. Huynh	Aye
U. Yapanel	Aye
S. Orazov	Aye
N. Russell-Unterburger	Aye

**C. Reso. Agreeing to the Provisions of the Memoranda of Understanding for Each MSA-1, MSA-2, and MSA-3**

A. Rubalcava, explained the details in the Conditions of Authorization. He explained that these conditions were presented to the MPS Board in a past board meeting, these conditions have been reviewed by our attorneys. C. Young, Chief Executive Officer, stated that these conditions are standard for schools authorized by LACOE. All questions were addressed by MPS staff and the attorney, W. Nassar.

S. Sherkhanov made a motion to agree to the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for each Magnolia Science Academy-1, (“MSA-1”), Magnolia Science Academy-2, (“MSA-2”), and Magnolia Science Academy-3 (“MSA-3”).

S. Orazov seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Sherkhanov	Aye
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**Roll Call**

N. Russell-Unterburger	Aye
U. Yapanel	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
N. Huynh	Aye
R. Oten	Absent
S. Orazov	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye

**D. Approval of Revised 2016-17 Revised Budget for MERF and all Magnolia Science Academies**

The MPS Finance Committee members reported their recommendation and concerns in regards to the approval of the revised 2016-17 budget. C. Young, Chief Executive Officer, and N. Montijo, Chief Financial Officer, presented details on the revised budget, what changes were made and concerns the staff has. S. Orazov, board treasurer, stated that board would not approve any future changes to the 2016-17 budget unless they are unforeseen costs.

S. Orazov made a motion to approve the recommendation from the MPS Finance Committee which was to approve the consolidated revised budget including the one time 3% increase in the Home Office revenues and expenses over 2016-17 board approved budget.

S. Sherkhanov seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Orazov	Aye
S. Sherkhanov	Aye
R. Oten	Absent
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
N. Huynh	Aye
U. Yapanel	Aye
N. Russell-Unterburger	Aye

**E. Approval of Bridge Financing for MSA-1, MSA-SD, and MSA-SA Growth Projects**

This item did not require an action at this time. There was a brief discussion about the upcoming facility projects. This item will be presented to the Finance Committee when more details are available and then it will be presented to the Board for approval. No actions were taken.

**V. Discussion Items****A. Financial Update- December 2016 Financials**

The December 2016 financials were discussed at length by the MPS Finance Committee. This item was briefly discussed by the Board along with the revised 2016-17 budget item. This was a discussion item, no actions were taken.

**B. Creation of Advisory Committee**

The Advisory Committee item was not discussed.

**VI. 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 6:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
N. Russell-Unterburger

The meeting was reconvened and adjourned on March 9th. The Board Chair reported that no actions were taken during Closed Session.