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Magnolia Public Schools

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday December 14, 2017 at 6:00 PM

Location
MSA Santa Ana: 2840 W. 1st St. Santa Ana, CA 92703

All participating Board Members joined in person from the MSA Santa Ana site.

Board Members:
Dr. Saken Sherkhanov, Chair
Dr. Umit Yapanel, Secretary
Mr. Serdar Orazov, Treasurer
Dr. Salih Dikbas
Ms. Diane Gonzalez
Mr. Nguyen Huynh
Mr. Haim Beliak
Ms. Charlotte Brimmer
Ms. Sandra Covarrubias

CEO & Superintendent:
Dr. Caprice Young

Notice of Closed Session Agenda Items
Due to space limitations on the following pages of the agenda, notice of closed session agenda items is provided here.

V. A Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation - One Matter

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Directors Present
C. Brimmer, D. Gonzalez, H. Beliak, N. Huynh, S. Covarrubias, S. Orazov, S. Sherkhanov

Directors Absent
S. Dikbas, U. Yapanel

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened
S. Orazov, S. Sherkhanov

Guests Present
B. Torres

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

N. Huynh called a meeting of the board of directors of Magnolia Public Schools to order on Thursday Dec 14, 2017 at 6:19 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

S. Orazov arrived at 6:20 pm. and S. Sherkhanov arrived at 7:04 pm.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Torres, Executive Assistant, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Public Comments

Myiesha Jackson, parent of MSA San Diego student, informed the Board regarding her daughter's bulling and harassment concerns. She referenced the letter she emailed to the board for public comments and asked that her concerns be addressed, she stated that her calls and concerns are not being responded. C. Young, Chief Executive Officer, stated that staff is following up with these incidents and it is something the organization takes seriously. C. Brimmer, Board Member, thanked Ms. Jackson for her public comment and tested that the Board did receive the narrative and they would follow up. No other public comments were made.

E. Approval of Agenda

C. Brimmer made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

C. Brimmer	Aye
U. Yapanel	Absent
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Sherkhanov	Absent
N. Huynh	Aye
S. Orazov	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye
S. Dikbas	Absent

S. Orazov arrived.

F. MSA Santa Ana Teacher and Student Recognition

B. Nguyen, MSA Santa Ana, Dean presented certificates to students, teachers, and to the MPS Board of Directors in gratitude of their volunteer dedication to Magnolia Public Schools. Two students who received certificates gave their story of how MSA-SA has supported them and benefited them. Two students whom are part of National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) spoke on the organization and how students benefit from it. C. Brimmer requested that NAMI representatives offer a presentation to the Board on the services they offer.

II. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Minutes

H. Beliak made a motion to approve minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on 11-09-17 under Consent Agenda. Regular Board Meeting on 11-09-17.
D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

N. Huynh	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Sherkhanov	Absent
S. Orazov	Aye
U. Yapanel	Absent
S. Dikbas	Absent
H. Beliak	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
C. Brimmer	Aye

B. Approval of Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for MSA 1-8 and MSA SA

H. Beliak made a motion to approve the Single Plan for Student Services for MSA 1-8 and MSA Santa Ana under Consent Agenda.
S. Orazov seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

S. Orazov	Aye
S. Sherkhanov	Absent
H. Beliak	Aye
U. Yapanel	Absent
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
S. Dikbas	Absent
N. Huynh	Aye
C. Brimmer	Aye

C. Approval of MPS School Wellness Policy

H. Beliak made a motion to approve the MPS School Wellness Policy under Consent Agenda.
S. Orazov seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
C. Brimmer	Aye
S. Sherkhanov	Absent
U. Yapanel	Absent
S. Dikbas	Absent
N. Huynh	Aye
S. Orazov	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye

D. Approval of Conditions for Classroom and School Volunteer, Visitation, Shadowing, and Removal Policy

H. Beliak made a motion to approve the Conditions for Classroom and School Volunteer, Visitation, Shadowing, and Removal Policy under Consent Agenda.
S. Orazov seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

N. Huynh	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
S. Dikbas	Absent
S. Sherkhanov	Absent
S. Orazov	Aye
U. Yapanel	Absent
H. Beliak	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye

Roll Call

C. Brimmer	Aye

E. Approval of Advisory Committee of the MPS Board of Directors

H. Beliak made a motion to approve the creation of the Advisory Committee under Consent Agenda.
S. Orazov seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Sherkhanov	Absent
C. Brimmer	Aye
U. Yapanel	Absent
N. Huynh	Aye
S. Dikbas	Absent
D. Gonzalez	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye
S. Orazov	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye

H. Beliak made a motion to approve the filing of "Request for Allowance of Attendance Because of Emergency Conditions for MSA-1,2,4,5,6,7.
D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Sherkhanov	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Orazov	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
U. Yapanel	Absent
H. Beliak	Aye
N. Huynh	Aye
S. Dikbas	Absent
C. Brimmer	Aye

F. Approval of Psychologist and Math Teacher Positions for MSA 1 Using Operational Budget

H. Beliak made a motion to approve the addition of One Math position and One Psychologist position to MSA1's staff and authorize the principal to fill these positions under Consent Agenda.
S. Orazov seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Sherkhanov	Absent
S. Orazov	Aye

Roll Call

N. Huynh	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye
S. Dikbas	Absent
S. Covarrubias	Aye
C. Brimmer	Aye
U. Yapanel	Absent
D. Gonzalez	Aye

A parent from MSA -SA expressed her concerns of MSA- SA and all Magnolia Science Academies (MSAs) needing a nurse onsite. She stated that this concern was delivered to the principal of the school but the issue has not been addressed. The parents believes that the funds spent on the current nurse should be applied in hiring a certified nurse. S. Covarrubias, Board Members, stated that she believes the larger MSAs do need a nurse but she thinks the smaller schools have the appropriate staff in place to address medical needs of students. She briefly went over budget implications of having a nurse at each site.

III. Action Items

A. Filing "Request for Allowance of Attendance Because of Emergency Conditions" for MSA-1,2,4, 5,6,7

D. Yilmaz, Chief Accountability Officer, explained to the Board why MPS had to request allowance of attendance due to emergency conditions for MSA-1,2,4,5,6,7. He explained that this was due to the wildfires that happened on December 6-8 near the schools and the bad quality of air. S. Acar, Chief Operations Officer, explained how the schools had been affected by the fires and how LAUSD had addressed this concern.
H. Beliak made a motion to approve the filing of request for allowance of attendance because of emergency conditions for MSA-1,2,4,5,6,7.
D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Dikbas	Absent
S. Covarrubias	Aye
N. Huynh	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Orazov	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye
C. Brimmer	Aye
S. Sherkhanov	Absent
U. Yapanel	Absent

B. Adoption of 2016-17 Audit Reports for all MPS

M. Miller, Partner at Vavrinek,Trine, Day & Company presented the 2016-17 audited financials of MPS to the Board. He gave an overview of the audit review, he explained

that each school had a separate audit report and there was one consolidated report that followed each school's guidelines. M. Miller explained the difference between opinions on each report and what each report is needed for. He stated that staff was responsive to requests and requests were completed much quicker than in the past years. M. Miller addressed specific questions Board Members had. The Board decided to table this item, they want the MPS Audit Committee to discuss the audits in depth and for the reports to be brought back to the full Board for approval.
S. Sherkhanov made a motion to table the approval of the 2016-17 audit reports for further discussion by the audit committee and bring it back for full board approval at the January 2018 board meeting.
C. Brimmer seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Orazov	Aye
S. Dikbas	Absent
N. Huynh	Aye
U. Yapanel	Absent
H. Beliak	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
C. Brimmer	Aye
S. Sherkhanov	Aye

S. Sherkhanov arrived.

IV. Discussion Items

A. Financial Update- October 2017

K. Dietz, EdTec Representative, went over the October 2017 Financials. She address Board Members questions.

B. School Services of California (SSCAL) Contract Extension per LAUSD

N. Montijo, Chief Financial Officer, explained to the Board why MPS was extended the contract with School Services of California. She explained that the Los Angeles Unified School District had requested that MPS continued to work with SSC for an additional six (6) months. This a contract shall not exceed $20,000, it is under the CEO approval limit, therefore it does not need to be Board approved but it but it was brought to the Board as an information. Board Members questions were addressed, this was a discussion item, no actions were taken.

C. Ongoing Facility Project Updates

M. Lengly, from Gafcon, presented the details on the MSA Santa Ana projected. He said that the school calendar had been discussed so that construction of the gym would not interfere with the operations of the school. Submittal projects are being received and

there have been no change orders so far. T. Buresh, from Prime Source, presented the updates on the constructions at the MSA 1 campus. P. Ontiveros, MPS Facility Director, gave an update on MSA San Diego construction details. C. Brimmer, MPS Board Member, stated that MPS staff needs to build a stronger relationship with government officials so they can support our projects. Staff stated what is currently done to connect with government officials and what they plan on doing. This was a discussion item, no actions were taken.

D. Educational Facilities Group (EFG) Exit Report

This item was not addressed, no report was provided.

V. Closed Session

A. Public Announcement of Closed Session

S. Sherkhanov announced in Open Session that the Board was going into Closed Session to discuss; one matter under Anticipated Litigation.

B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation – One Matter

The Board went into Closed Session to discuss this item.

C. Public Report of Action, If Any, Taken in Closed Session

S. Sherkhanov, MPS Board Chair, announced in Open Session that during Closed Session the Board instructed the Chief Executive Officer on further notice regarding the potential litigation item.

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 10:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
S. Sherkhanov