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Magnolia Public Schools

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday January 21, 2021 at 5:30 PM

Location
https://zoom.us/j/94790564661?pwd=djZyN2tCRUtUYUpEKzNnTmpjdkJMUT09
Meeting ID: 947 9056 4661 **Passcode:** 319258
One tap mobile : +16699009128,,94790564661# US (San Jose)

Board Members:
Mr. Haim Beliak, Chair
Dr. Umit Yapanel, Vice-Chair
Dr. Salih Dikbas
Ms. Diane Gonzalez
Ms. Sandra Covarrubias
Mr. Mekan Muhammedov

CEO & Superintendent:
Mr. Alfredo Rubalcava

Directors Present
D. Gonzalez (remote), H. Beliak (remote), M. Muhammedov (remote), S. Covarrubias (remote), S. Dikbas (remote), U. Yapanel (remote)

Directors Absent

None

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

H. Beliak called a meeting of the board of directors of Magnolia Public Schools to order on Thursday Jan 21, 2021 at 5:35 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

Refer to attendance information reported above.

C. Approval of Agenda

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

Roll Call

S. Covarrubias	Aye
M. Muhammedov	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye
U. Yapanel	Aye

D. Public Comments

G. Serce, Principal at MSA-San Diego thanked the teachers, parents and students for their resilient work during the first semester. Adding, that the fundraising and community events that took place raised money to help support students and their families as well as providing new Chromebooks for their students. G. Serce introduced M. Craig to the Board as MSA-San Diego's Dean of Academics. B. Lopez, Director of Student Services, announced that there is a free resource presentation for Mental Health Awareness that all parents are invited to participate.

E. Announcements from MPS CEO & Superintendent

A. Rubalcava, CEO & Superintendent, and J. Wade, Assistant Executive Office Manager, went over health and safety updates for Covid-19 and where Los Angeles County, Orange County and San Diego County stood in regards to Covid-19 cases. These updates also included the Safe Schools for All proposal made by the Governor, a grant provided to schools contingent if the schools meets all the funding requirements.

F. Approval of Minutes from Regular MPS Board Meeting- December 10, 2020

H. Beliak made a motion to approve the minutes from December 10, 2020 Board Meeting on 12-10-20.
S. Covarrubias seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
S. Dikbas	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye
U. Yapanel	Aye
M. Muhammedov	Aye

II. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of School Accountability Report Cards (SARC) for all MPS

D. Yilmaz, Chief Accountability Officer, presented to the Board the annual school accountability report cards for 2019-2020, which included a variety of data points such as the student achievement data and narratives that describes the schools programs. This will be publicized on California Department of Education (CDE) portal, MPS schools websites, and a notification will be sent to the parents that this is available to them for their view.
S. Covarrubias made a motion to approve the School Accountability Report Cards (SARC) for all MPS.
S. Dikbas seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
U. Yapanel	Aye
M. Muhammedov	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye

III. Action Items

A. Approval of El Dorado Charter SELPA Revised Participation Agreement

E. Acar, Chief Academic Officer, presented to the Board the revised Participation Agreement and the Local Plan Section B from the El Dorado County Charter Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA). The SELPA works collaboratively with partner Local Education Agencies (LEA) to ensure that special education services are available to all eligible children residing within the consortium. Each partner of the Charter SELPA is required to adopt the Local Plan and the Participation Agreement for each of their respective LEAs/schools between October 2020 and February 2021.

H. Beliak made a motion to approve the revised Participation Agreement for the El Dorado County Charter Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA).
D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

H. Beliak	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye
M. Muhammedov	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
U. Yapanel	Aye

B. Approval of College Counselor Coordinator & Teachers on Special Assignments (TOSA) Position

E. Acar, Chief Academic Officer, presented the proposal for the Board to ratify the actions of the CEO to approve the College Counselor Coordinator and Teachers on Special Assignments (TOSA) position. This would greatly aid in serving the community and address Board's expectations on addressing college and career program and service needs. Additionally, it would strengthen MPS' standards-based curriculum. The Board resolution adopted on July 23, 2020, gave the CEO the authority to hire additional employees if he deemed it necessary to mitigate impacts of Covid-19, all such expenditures would be reported to the Board for ratification during the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. The Home Office budget reserve will be utilized to fund the position.
S. Dikbas made a motion to ratify the actions of the Magnolia CEO to approve the MPS College and Career Readiness Program and TOSA Coordinator Position.
D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

M. Muhammedov	Aye
U. Yapanel	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye

C. Approval of MPS Wellness Policy

B. Lopez, Director of Student Services, presented to the Board the revised MPS Wellness Policy. Areas that were revised dealt in regards to distance learning and how physical activity and healthy nutrition is being incorporated during remote learning. Presenting this to the Board serves as a compliancy with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) where the policy must be reviewed every three years. This policy outlines MPS' approach to ensuring environments and opportunities for all students to practice healthy

eating and physical activity behaviors throughout the school day and establishes goals. She presented the progress in reaching those goals. All MPS school sites have a Wellness Committee who create an action plan to meet the implementation of the policy. M. Rowell, Assistant Principal at MSA-Santa Ana Elementary, explained the schools processes of creating the schools action plans and goals. S. Covarrubias, MPS Board Member, serves as a CMO level member for the Wellness Committee.
H. Beliak made a motion to approve the revised MPS Wellness Policy.
S. Covarrubias seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

U. Yapanel	Aye
M. Muhammedov	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye

D. Non-Public Agency Approval for BII Support

A. Callaham, Director of Special Education and Support Services, presented to the Board the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Magnolia Public Schools and Inclusive Education and Community Partnerships.
D. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the MOU between Magnolia Public Schools and Inclusive Education and Community Partnership, a Non-Public Agency.
S. Covarrubias seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

U. Yapanel	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
H. Beliak	Abstain
M. Muhammedov	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye

E. Approval of 2020-2021 Employee Handbook

D. Hajmeirza, Director of Human Resources, presented to the Board the revised 2020-2021 Employee Handbook. The revisions come from the state of California adopting new laws expanding the right of employees to take leave under the California Family Rights Act (CFRA) effective January 1, 2021. The proposed revision states the new legal standards, which after the Board approves, will be made available for all employees to view. MPS has already been following these new changes, but requests the Board to approve so it can be reflected on the Employee Handbook.
H. Beliak made a motion to approve revisions to the Employee Handbook based on new changes in law.

D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Dikbas	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
U. Yapanel	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye
M. Muhammedov	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye

F. Election of Board Members to Magnolia Properties Management, Inc. (MPM)

P. Ontiveros, General Counsel and Director of Facilities, presented to the Board the resolution to elect H. Beliak, S. Covarrubias and M. Muhammedov to the Magnolia Properties Management (MPM), Inc., a California non-profit public benefit corporation. All three members currently serve as Board Members of Magnolia Public Schools. P. Ontiveros outlined the purpose and mission of MPM Inc. and included its Articles of Organization and Bylaws for the Board to view. Magnolia Public Schools (Magnolia Educational & Research Foundation) is the sponsor of MPM Inc. therefore as its sponsor, it has the right to appoint Directors to MPM Inc.
U. Yapanel made a motion to adopt the resolutions attached as Exhibit A to remove all existing directors from and elect the following three (3) individuals to the Magnolia Properties Management, Inc. Board of Directors: Haim Beliak, Mekan Muhammedov, and Sandra Covarrubias.
D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

U. Yapanel	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
M. Muhammedov	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye

G. Approval of Revised MPS Finance & Governance/Nominating Board Committee Structure

U. Yapanel, MPS Vice-Chair, presented to the Board revisions made to the Board Committee Structure, specifically the Finance and Governance/Nominating Committees. These revisions came about when S. Orazov left the MPS Board to serve now as the Chief Financial Officer. He was the former Chair of the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee now consists of S. Dikbas as the Chair, H. Beliak, and M. Muhammedov (U. Yapanel serving as alternate). The Governance/Nominating Committee now consists of U. Yapanel as Chair, S. Dikbas, and S. Covarrubias (D. Gonzalez serving as an alternate).

U. Yapanel made a motion to approve the changes to the MPS Finance & Governance/Nominating Committee Board Structures to take affect January 22, 2021.
H. Beliak seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

U. Yapanel	Aye
M. Muhammedov	Aye
S. Dikbas	Aye
S. Covarrubias	Aye
H. Beliak	Aye
D. Gonzalez	Aye

IV. Closed Session

A. Public Announcement of Closed Session

H. Beliak, announced that the board would be going into Closed Session to discuss anticipated litigation and would report out any actions taken. Closed session was announced at 7:23 PM.

B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to § 54956.9(b): [1] case(s)

This item was discussed in Closed Session.

C. Report out from Closed Session

H. Beliak announced in Open Session at 8:42 PM that the board had directed staff on several items.

V. 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 8:43 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
H. Beliak