



# Magnolia Public Schools

# **Minutes**

# Regular Board Meeting

### **Date and Time**

Tuesday August 10, 2021 at 6:00 PM

#### Location

https://zoom.us/j/95369915802?pwd=Rm8rcFZwNk81T1hZSUZJb2V0NnZrZz09

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**Board Members:** 

Ms. Sandra Covarrubias, Chair

Dr. Umit Yapanel, Vice-Chair

Dr. Salih Dikbas

Ms. Diane Gonzalez

Mr. Mekan Muhammedov

CEO & Superintendent:

Mr. Alfredo Rubalcava

## **Directors Present**

D. Gonzalez (remote), M. Muhammedov (remote), S. Dikbas (remote), U. Yapanel (remote)

## **Directors Absent**

S. Covarrubias

# Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

#### S. Dikbas

# I. Opening Items

# A. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Muhammedov called a meeting of the board of directors of Magnolia Public Schools to order on Tuesday Aug 10, 2021 at 6:09 PM.

#### **B.** Record Attendance and Guests

Refer to attendance information stated above.

# C. Approval of Agenda

- D. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
- M. Muhammedov seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

M. Muhammedov Aye

S. Dikbas Absent
U. Yapanel Aye
S. Covarrubias Absent
D. Gonzalez Aye

#### D. Public Comments

No public comments were given at this time.

#### E. Announcements from CEO & Superintendent and Board Members

A.Rubalcava, CEO & Superintendent, shared the excitement of LAUSD schools opening up for first day of Instruction on August 11th. Home Office staff will be going to the school sites for support. He read the Mission & Vision of Magnolia Public Schools and also highlighted one of the four goals.

#### **II. Closed Session**

## A. Public Announcement Of Closed Session

- M. Muhammedov announced that the Board would be going into Closed Session to discuss public employee performance evaluation for the CEO & Superintendent and would report out any actions taken.
- S. Dikbas arrived at 6:11 PM.

# B. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (§ 54957) - Title: CEO & Superintendent

This item was discussed in Closed Session

## C. Report Out Of Closed Session

M. Muhammedov announced in Open Session at 7:00pm they will revisit this topic on August 12th Board Meeting during the Approval of the CEO Metrics.

#### III. Information/Discussion Items

### A. Academic/Accountability Updates

The Accountability & Academic Department led by E.Acar, Chief Academic Officer, & D.Yilmaz, Chief Accountability Officer gave their Departments updates. W.Gray was introduced as the College & Career Readiness Program & TOSA Coordinator. O.Polat, was introduced as the Director of State & Federal Programs. Board Members questions were addressed.

#### **IV. Action Items**

## A. Approval of Revised Independent Study Policy

E.Acar, Chief Academic Officer, provided context on what Independent Study is addressed to do and what revisions to the existing Independent Study laws were made based on the education trailer Bill AB-130. Those revisions were added to the Magnolia Public Schools Independent Study Policy to adhere to the changes and ensure that there is a continuation of better serving the students. The motion was amended to which the written agreement will be received at a later time and only the revised Independent Study Policy will be voted on.

- M. Muhammedov made a motion to amend the current motion and approve the revised Independent Study Policy for all Magnolia Science Academy schools.
- D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.

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

## **Roll Call**

D. Gonzalez Aye
S. Covarrubias Absent
U. Yapanel Aye
S. Dikbas Aye
M. Muhammedov Aye

# B. Approval of Updated MPS Health and Safety Policy and Injury and Illness Prevention Program ("IIPP") COVID-19 Addendum

D.Hajemirza, Director if Human Resources provided updates to the Health & Safety Policy and IIPP COVID-19 Addendum based on the most recent county and California Department of Public Health guidance.

- D. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the updated MPS Health & Safety Policy alongside the IIPP COVID19 addendum.
- M. Muhammedov seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

S. Covarrubias Absent
S. Dikbas Aye
D. Gonzalez Aye
U. Yapanel Absent
M. Muhammedov Aye

## C. Approval of Teacher Assignment Option: Ed Code 44258.3 Procedure and Process

D.Hajmeirza, Director of Human Resources presented the procedure and process for utilizing Teacher Assignment Option: Ed Code 4425.8 that all MPS school sites will adopt with the collaboration of the MPS Home Office. On July 8, 2021 the Board has approved on utilizing the Ed Code option. Board Members questions were addressed by the staff.

- S. Dikbas made a motion to approve the teacher assignment option: Ed Code 44258.3 procedure and process that MPS will adopt to provide a greater flexibility in local teacher assignments in grades K-12.
- M. Muhammedov seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

U. Yapanel AbsentD. Gonzalez AyeS. Dikbas AyeM. Muhammedov AyeS. Covarrubias Absent

# D. Approval of Teacher Assignment Option: Ed Code 44258.7(c)(d) Procedure and Process

D.Hajmeirza, Director of Human Resources presented the procedure and process for utilizing Teacher Assignment Option: Ed Code 4425.7(c)(d) that all MPS school sites will adopt with the collaboration of the MPS Home Office. On July 8, 2021 the Board has approved on utilizing the Ed Code option. She went over what utilizing the ed code will entail. Board Members questions were addressed by the staff.

M. Muhammedov made a motion to approve the teacher assignment option: Ed Code ("EC") 44258.7(c)(d) procedure and process that MPS will adopt to provide a greater flexibility in elective course assignments in grades K-12.

S. Dikbas seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

D. Gonzalez AyeS. Covarrubias Absent

#### **Roll Call**

S. Dikbas Aye
U. Yapanel Aye
M. Muhammedov Aye

# E. Approval of MPS COVID-19 Testing Agreements for 2021-2022 School Year

D.Hajmeirza, Director of Human Resources presented adn went over the service agreements for PMH Lab and LAUSD Testing and Community Engagement Program. The cost analysis for each school was showcased. Board Members questions were addressed by staff.

- D. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the service agreement for COVID-19 testing program with PMH Laboratory Inc. ("PMH") for Magnolia Science Academy ("MSA") 1, 5, 7, Santa Ana and San Diego and the Los Angeles Unified Schools District ("LAUSD") Testing and Community Engagement Program for Magnolia Science Academy ("MSA") 2,
- 3, 4, 6, and 8 for the 2021-22 school year.
- S. Dikbas seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

S. Dikbas Aye
S. Covarrubias Absent
U. Yapanel Aye
D. Gonzalez Aye
M. Muhammedov Aye

# F. Review and Approval of Resolution revoking "Resolution Concerning Measures to Address the Organizational and Educational Impacts of the COVID-19 Virus"

The Board had adopted multiple resolutions granting the CEO certain powers to circumvent certain policies as needed in anticipation of emergency closures and other emergency COVID-19 related emergencies. Those resolutions include, #20200313-01, #20200320-01, #20200327-01, #20200402-01 and #20200723-01. Now that schools have built systems to address COVID-19, the resolutions are no longer necessary to assist schools in responding to COVID-19.

M. Muhammedov made a motion to approve Board Resolution #20210810-01 to revoke the Resolutions adopted and approved on March 13, 2020, March 20, 2020, March 27, 2020, April 2, 2020 and July 23, 2020 Resolutions Concerning Measures to Address the Organizational and Educational Impacts of the COVID-19 Virus.

S. Dikbas seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

M. Muhammedov AyeS. Dikbas AyeU. Yapanel AyeD. Gonzalez Aye

#### **Roll Call**

S. Covarrubias Absent

# 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 8:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Muhammedov