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## Magnolia Public Schools

### Minutes

#### Regular Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Thursday October 28, 2021 at 6:00 PM

**Location**

<https://zoom.us/j/93228525123?pwd=ejArd0FIRnBwdGJWYWlpUXRvazNVQT09>

**Meeting ID:** 932 2852 5123      **Passcode:** 401318

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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

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**Directors Present**

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

**Directors Absent**

*None*

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Call the Meeting to Order**

U. Yapanel called a meeting of the board of directors of Magnolia Public Schools to order on Thursday Oct 28, 2021 at 6:06 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.

U. Yapanel seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

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

### **D. Public Comments**

No public comments were given at this time.

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

A.Rubalcava, MPS CEO & Superintendent, highlighted Magnolia Science Academy (MSA)-5 who was recognized as a highly distinguished middle school by U.S. News & World Report. S.Keskinturk, Principal at MSA-Santa Ana and S.Solomon, staff member, highlighted a volleyball tournament that was hosted in which 6 schools attended along with 2 middle schools. A.Rubalcava, also mentioned the Savvy Skills Series on Facebook live that took place on October 13th in which B.Lopez, a distinguished community member, was interviewed. Students and parents participated in that live series hosted by MPS. MSA-Santa Ana received a community impact presidential award from U.S. Congressman Lou Correa and in correlation with POOF in celebrating community excellence and volunteers. B.Lopez, MPS Chief External Officer, highlighted the event that took place with Andale Que Esperas campaign through AltaMed Health Services and in attendance was California Superintendent of Public Instruction, Tony Thurmond. The press conference event aimed to bring resources and vaccination opportunities and to combat misinformation about vaccinations. A student who attends MSA-8 along with her mother were guest speakers and shared their voice and experience. U.Yapanel, MPS Board Vice-Chair, thanked the schools for their ongoing work in regards to COVID-19 regulations and for keeping the school, staff and students safe.

**F. Approval of Minutes from MPS Special Board Meeting - October 7, 2021**

D. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Board Meeting on 10-07-21.

U. Yapanel seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**G. Approval of Minutes from MPS Regular Board Meeting - October 14, 2021**

D. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting on 10-14-21.

U. Yapanel seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**II. Closed Session**

**A. Public Announcement of Closed Session**

U. Yapanel announced that the Board would be going into Closed Session to discuss conference with real property negotiators for Magnolia Science Academy-1 and public employment and would report out any actions taken.

**B. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (§54956.8) Property: Magnolia Science Academy-1 (18140 & 18160 Sherman Way)**

This item was discussed in Closed Session.

**C. Public Employment (§ 54957)**

This item was discussed in Closed Session.

**D. Report Out of Closed Session**

U.Yapanel announced in Open Session at 6:55pm that the Board received updates regarding the closed session items and directed staff to follow-up on those items. No decisions were made.

### III. Action Items

#### A. Approval of the ESSER III Expenditure Plans for All Magnolia Public Schools

D.Yilmaz, MPS Chief Accountability Officer, alongside O.Polat, MPS State & Federal Programs Director presented the introduction and processes of ESSER III Expenditure Plans for all MPS schools. MPS received money as part of the American Rescue Plan to be spent over the course of 3 years, and as a requirement, the schools created a plan following the guidelines on the allowable uses the money should be spent. O.Polat elaborated on the areas the expenditures can be used for and explained the collaborative process between Home Office leadership, school site staff, stakeholders and community to create the schools plans. Including in-person visit to sit down with the Principals. M.Rowell, Magnolia Science Academy (MSA)-Santa Ana Elementary Principal, and G.Serce, MSA-San Diego Principal, elaborated on their schools plan. All other schools plans and eligibility amounts were presented.

D. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the ESSER III Expenditure Plans for all Magnolia Public Schools.

U. Yapanel seconded the motion.

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

##### Roll Call

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

#### B. Approval of Comprehensive Safety Plans for Magnolia Science Academy-5 & Magnolia Science Academy-6

J.Hernandez, MPS Director of Student Services, presented the comprehensive safety plans for Magnolia Science Academy (MSA)-5 & MSA-6. Due to their re-location a revision to their comprehensive plan was due to include the substantial changes. The remaining schools comprehensive plans will be presented at a later Board Meeting.

U. Yapanel made a motion to approve the comprehensive school safety plans for Magnolia Science Academy-5 & Magnolia Science Academy-6.

S. Dikbas seconded the motion.

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

##### Roll Call

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

**Roll Call**

D. Gonzalez     Aye  
S. Covarrubias     Aye

**IV. 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 7:17 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
U. Yapanel