



Magnolia Public Schools

Minutes

Special Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday May 6, 2025 at 4:00 PM

Location

Home Office: 250 E. 1st Street, Suite 1500, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Board Members:

Mr. Mekan Muhammedov, Chair

Ms. Sandra Covarrubias, Vice-Chair

Dr. Umit Yapanel

Dr. Salih Dikbas

Ms. Diane Gonzalez

Student Board Member:

Naim Bayraktar

CEO & Superintendent:

Mr. Alfredo Rubalcava

Directors Present

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

Directors Absent

S. Dikbas

Guests Present

J. Lara

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 May 6, 2025 at 4:18 PM.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Board, staff and guests conducted the pledge of allegiance.

C. Record Attendance and Guests

Refer to attendance information recorded above.

D. Approval of Agenda

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

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

Roll Call

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

E. Public Comments

No public comments were made at this time.

II. Closed Session

A. Public Announcement of Closed Session

M. Muhammedov, Board Chair, announced that the Board will be going into closed session to discuss conference with legal counsel existing litigation and would report out any actions taken.

B. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

Item was discussed in Closed Session.

C.

Report Out of Closed Session

M. Muhammedov announced in Open Session at 4:50pm that the Board asked staff to take necessary action.

III. Action Items

A. Approval of In Lieu of Prop 39 Facilities Use Agreement with Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District

P. Ontiveros, General Counsel & Director of Facilities, reported on the institution of a lawsuit with Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District (PYLUSD) in which MPS staff and PYLUSD staff entered into a negotiation phase and reached an agreement in lieu of Prop 39. He added that MPS would be accepting space at the Esperanza school site and in turn the lawsuit would be dropped. Additionally, PYLUSD would be providing a zoning exemption. He added that the agreement stipulates the option to extend for an additional school year if MPS is unable to locate a site. He further explained the provisions in the agreement. A. Rubalcava, CEO & Superintendent, reported that PYLUSD staff diligently worked with MPS in the matter. Board Members thanked PYLUSD staff which would allow MPS the opportunity to serve students in the community. Board Members questions were addressed by staff.

M. Muhammedov made a motion to approve the In Lieu of Prop 39 Facilities Use Agreement with Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District to provide facilities for the Magnolia Science Academy – Orange County school for the 2025-26 and potentially 2026-27 school years.

D. Gonzalez seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

S. Dikbas Absent
M. Muhammedov Aye
U. Yapanel Aye
S. Covarrubias Aye
D. Gonzalez 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 5:02 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Muhammedov