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# Making Waves Academy

## Minutes

### December Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Monday December 16, 2024 at 11:00 AM

#### Location

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### **Directors Present**

Alicia Malet Klein, Amy Obinyan (remote), Enrique Romero, Esther Hugo, Janis Glover, Margaret Watson

### **Directors Absent**

Jessica Laughlin

### **Guests Present**

Bryann Fitzpatrick, Edeson Beredo (remote)

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## **I. Opening Items**

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

Alicia Malet Klein called a meeting of the board of directors of Making Waves Academy to order on Monday Dec 16, 2024 at 11:07 AM.

### **B. Record Attendance**

### **C. Remarks by Board President**

Board president highlighted that a topic up for discussion in today's meeting would be related to establishing a student board member.

The focus of the meeting is on critical learner groups and the end of the fall semester .

The LCAP goals highlighted in this meeting are:

Goal 1- Support for All Learners

Goal 3- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

#### **D. Public Comment**

One participant raised their hand via Zoom during public comment to ensure she was in the right meeting, but had not intended to make a public comment. No other public comments were made.

### **II. Standing Reports**

#### **A. Mission Connection: Critical Learners**

The board watched a video highlighting MWA's critical learners, with a focus on students with disabilities.

#### **B. ASB Update**

ASB Members provided an update on their successes, including items related to the CCC's career fair and the ASB meeting with Dr. Jackson. As a challenge, they noted building more school spirit and that there have been periodic shortages in school lunches.

Board members and leaders recommended setting a regular check-in meeting with the principal, praised ASB for bringing up curriculum in this meeting, and highlighted the food team's attempts to better calibrate ordering given substantial waste concerns from last year. The board also encouraged the ASB to not merely attempt to create a "traditional" high school experience but to think about what makes MWA special and celebrate that as well.

#### **C. Deep Dive: Management of SPED**

MWA Principal Dr. Tameka Jackson, and COO Elizabeth Martinez shared updates on the management SPED this year. This included MWA's approach as an inclusion-based school, the fact that our SPED population has doubled in real terms and also increased as a percentage of the overall population. The differences in responsibilities between the school and the central office were reviewed. Overall, student testing data shows a slight improvement for our SWD.

It was noted that having a Director of Special Education on-site is needed and we are searching for one since our director left earlier this year. The position is being filled by an interim contractor.

#### **D. Q&A on Written School Report**

Board members had questions and comments about the written report related to parent/family communications, specialized work with Black students, recent Math Movie Nights, and CCC's plan for engagement with college and career readiness with younger grades. The board asked for analysis of students failing classes by grade / subject.

Acknowledgements were made for board member Romero's engagement with the CCC's career week.

#### **E. Q&A on Chief Executive Officer Report (CEO)**

Board members had questions and comments about the CEO's report related to wanting individual stories of Wave-Makers of the month, coaching systems, concurrent enrollment, and the school's plan for implementing MTSS more broadly.

#### **F. Q&A on Chief Operating Officer Report (COO)**

Board members had questions and comments about the COO's report related to Differentiated Assistance, the pillars for the upcoming compensation study, possible competency bands for roles/comp, and recent school evacuations due to a power outage and a tsunami warning.

#### **G. Q&A on Written Finance Report**

Board members had questions and comments about the finance report report related to formally introducing MWA's fractional CFO James McLean, and a request for an narrative overview at quarterly meetings.

#### **H. Break**

### **III. Non-Action Items**

#### **A. Board Work and Advisory Committee Updates**

Board members gave feedback on the plan for adding a student board member next year related to the member's responsibilities, recruitment and selection process, and providing onboarding.

#### **B. MWEF Scholarship Update**

Board members had questions and comments about the MWEF scholarship changes related to the benefits of "first dollar" awards, impacts on current college students, the application and selection processes, and providing information to students on taxation on scholarship funds, student response rates, and the focus on impact.

### **IV. Action Items**

#### **A. Board Member Term Renewals and Appointments**

Margaret Watson made a motion to renew the 3-year terms of the following Board Directors, with a term expiring on December 31, 2027. Alicia Malet Klein and Esther Hugo.

Enrique Romero seconded the motion.

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

##### **Roll Call**

Esther Hugo      Abstain

Jessica Laughlin    Absent

Enrique Romero    Aye

Amy Obinyan      Aye

Margaret Watson   Aye

Alicia Malet Klein Abstain

Janis Glover      Aye

#### **B. Reappointing Board President**

Esther Hugo made a motion to Reappointed Alicia Malet Klein as MWA board president.

Margaret Watson seconded the motion.

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

##### **Roll Call**

Esther Hugo      Aye

Alicia Malet Klein Abstain

Janis Glover      Aye

Amy Obinyan      Aye

Jessica Laughlin   Absent

Margaret Watson Aye

Enrique Romero Aye

#### **C. AMIM Discretionary Block Grant Expenditure Plan**

Janis Glover made a motion to approve AMIM Discretionary Block Grant Expenditure Plan,.

Enrique Romero seconded the motion.

MWA board had questions and comments on the difference between item C (AMIM Discretionary Block Grant Expenditure Plan) and item D (Proposition 28 Arts and Music Plan).

Discussed that this will be a plan that impacts MWA for the next two years.

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

#### **D. Proposition 28 Arts and Music Plan**

Esther Hugo made a motion to Approve expenditure plan for Arts, Music, and Instructional Materials (AMIM) Discretionary Block Grant in compliance with AB 181 & 185.

Margaret Watson seconded the motion.

The board asked questions and comments related to the usage of funds and the estimated financial impact.

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

#### **E. 2023-24 Audit Report**

Margaret Watson made a motion to ratify the approval of the 2023-24 audit report that was unanimously approved via email as of 12/9/24.

Enrique Romero seconded the motion.

MWA CFO gave recognition to the finance team on their work on the audit.

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

#### **F. Edgility Agreement**

Alicia Malet Klein made a motion to accept the proposal from Edgility to conduct a comprehensive review of MWA's Total Compensation which extends beyond salary and benefits.

Esther Hugo seconded the motion.

MWA board had questions and comments on clarifications on the differences between the contract and the deck provided. The most recent information is found in the contract.

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

#### **G. Teach for America (TFA) Memorandum of Understanding**

Esther Hugo made a motion to approve the MOU between Making Waves Academy and TFA.

Janis Glover seconded the motion.

MWA board had questions and comments on the number of current TFA teachers and the process for hiring TFA teachers.

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

#### **H. A-G Grant (Plan Revision)**

Margaret Watson made a motion to approve revisions to the A-G Grant plan that was previously approved.

Janis Glover seconded the motion.

MWA board had questions and comments on the A-G plan's usage of he funds and who will be in charge of implementing the plan.

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

### **V. Consent Action Items**

#### **A.**

## **FY205 First Interim Budget**

Janis Glover made a motion to approve First Interim Budget.

Enrique Romero seconded the motion.

MWA board had questions and comments on how many students were lost in their senior year.

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

### **B. Vendor Invoices for October 2024**

Janis Glover made a motion to approve bill payments for October 2024.

Enrique Romero seconded the motion.

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

### **C. Approve Minutes: October Board Meeting**

Janis Glover made a motion to approve the minutes from October Board Meeting on 10-21-24.

Enrique Romero seconded the motion.

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

### **D. Approve Minutes: Finance Advisory Meeting**

Janis Glover made a motion to approve the minutes from Finance Advisory Committee Meeting on 11-13-24.

Enrique Romero seconded the motion.

Noted that this should read "Accept minutes" rather than "Approve minutes."

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

### **E. Approve Minutes: Audit Advisory Committee**

Janis Glover made a motion to approve the minutes from Audit Advisory Committee on 11-25-24.

Enrique Romero seconded the motion.

Noted that this should read "Accept minutes" rather than "Approve minutes."

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

### **F. Approve Minutes: WASC/CIRAC Committee Meeting**

Janis Glover made a motion to approve the minutes from WASC/Curriculum Instruction Review Advisory Committee on 12-02-24.

Enrique Romero seconded the motion.

Noted that this should read "Accept minutes" rather than "Approve minutes."

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

## **VI. Discussion Items**

### **A.**

### **Appreciations by the Board of Directors**

Board members acknowledged the leadership of the newly re-elected board president, Alicia Malet Klein, the hard work being done by school leaders, faculty, and staff, and the smooth handling of the sudden evacuations.

### **B. Schedule of Remaining Board of Directors Meetings for 2024-25**

- January 27, 2025 @ 11:00 am
- March 10, 2025 @ 4:00 pm
- May 5, 2025 @ 4:00 pm
- Graduation: June 12, 2025 @ 6pm
- June 16, 2025 @ 11:00 am

### **VII. 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 2:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Alicia Malet Klein

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#### **Documents used during the meeting**

- ASB Board Report - December 2024.pdf
- December 2024\_School Board Report\_2024-25.pdf
- MWA CEO Report to the MWA Board\_DEC 2024\_ABN.docx (1).pdf
- December 2024\_COO Board Report.pdf
- 01 MWA October Financials-11.13.24 - v2.pdf
- MWA Student Board Member Planning.pdf
- 2024 12 16\_MWA Board Materials.pdf
- Arts, Music, and Instructional Materials Block Grant Expenditure Plan-12.12.2024.pdf
- Prop 28 Arts and Music Expenditure Plan-12.12.2024.pdf
- MWA 6.30.24 Governance Communication DRAFT as of 11.6.24 (2).pdf
- MWA 6.30.24 Audited FS DRAFT as of 11.6.24 (1).pdf
- 2023-24 Audit Report Vote via Email.pdf
- MWA Board Meeting Edgility\_TEC\_SchoolCompensationProposal\_2024.pdf
- Edgility Consulting - Making Waves Academy Compensation Study Contract 2024 (1).pdf
- CMO PSA\_MWA 10.18.24\_not signed.pdf

- A-G Completion Improvement Grant Program Plan for MWA 2025-2026.docx.pdf
- 1st Interim Budget Slides from Finance Advisory Committee Meeting - November 2024.pdf
- 2024-25 1st Interim Budget-School.pdf
- 2024-25 1st Interim Budget-Central Office.pdf
- Bill Payment List - October 2024.pdf