

**Magnolia School District
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Minutes
September 20, 2022
7:00 P.M.**

Mr. Nick D’Amico opened the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Mrs. Rebecca Ammen	Present
Mr. Nick D’Amico	Present
Mr. Mark Godfrey	Absent
Mrs. Rebeca Lang Staffieri	Present
Mrs. Karen Sorbello	Present
Mrs. Alyssa Vazquez-Colon	Present

Other Attendee

Mrs. Karen Macpherson, Superintendent
Mr. Greg Gontowski, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mr. Bill Morlok, Solicitor

Mission Statement

Mission Statement was read by Nick D’Aminco.

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes and Executive Session Minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting held on August 2, 2022

Motioned by Alyssa Vazquez Colon, Seconded by Rebecca Ammen

Vote: To approve Minutes

Voice Vote. All in favor **Rebecca Lang Staffieri– Abstained

Motion Approved

**Open Audience
Participation I**

Open Audience Participation I – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Seconded by Rebecca Ammen

Vote: To approve opening of Audience Participation I

Voice Vote. All in favor

None

**Close Audience
Participation I**

Close Audience Participation I

Motioned by Rebecca Lang Staffieri, Seconded by Rebecca Ammen

Board of Education Business	Vote: To approve closing of Audience Participation I Voice vote. All in favor
	<u>BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS</u>
Unfinished Business	None
New Business	Alyssa Vazquez-Colon – Mentioned Hispanic heritage month
State and Local School Board Association	None
Superintendent's Report	<u>Superintendent's Report</u>
Mr. Sorrentino – Presentation	Presentation: Mr. Sorrentino gave a brief presentation on 2021-2022 HIB Grades

Information Items:

A. Curriculum/Programs

- Start Strong standardized assessments administered
- Leader In Me update

B. Interdistrict

- Conducting a meeting with Superintendents and a Board representative October 26th at 7:00pm at Sterling.

C. Public Relations/Liaison

- Liaison Meeting September 26, 2022

D. Student/Parental Issue and Concerns – None

E. Buildings and Grounds

- Update on construction
- Shelter in place on September 12, 2022
- Fire drill on September 16, 2022

F *Negotiations/Contractual (Executive Session)

- . Negotiations meeting is scheduled for September 21st

G. Misc- None

H. HIB - None

I Principal's Report –

1. Mr. Sorrentino's monthly principal's report and nursing report will resume in October

Personnel

Motion to Approve Personnel Items 1 through 12

Accept with regret the Resignation of BOE Member Joyce Albrecht 9/1/22

1. With regret, the resignation of Joyce Albrecht as Board of Education member due to residency effective September 1, 2022.

Allison Gilley and Holly Keple – Leader in Me Lighthouse Training 8/3/22

2. Ratification of Allison Gilley and Holly Keple to attend Leader in Me Lighthouse Training on August 3, 2022 for 5 hours at \$20.00 an hour for a total of \$100 each (to be taken out of Title II).

Dylan Smith, Ashton Whitaker and Katie Rickembach – Leader in Me Training at

3. Ratification of Dylan Smith, Ashton Whitaker, and Katie Rickenbach to do additional hours (not to exceed 20) for Leader in Me Training at a rate of \$40.00 an hour (to be taken out of Title II).

Kelly Livingston – Facilitate Professional Development Geodes/Language Arts

4. Ratification of Kelly Livingston to facilitate professional development geodes/Language arts for 8 hours at a rate of \$40.00 an hour (to be taken out of Title II).

Ashton Whitaker - Review and Revise Existing Curriculum

5. Ratification of Ashton Whitaker to work an additional 24 hours to review and revise existing curriculum at a rate of \$40.00 an hour (to be taken out of ESSR).

Bonnie Sebastian – Educational Consulting Service 22-23

6. Bonnie Sebastian to be paid \$6000 for Educational Consulting Services for the 22-23 school year (to be taken out of Title II).

Beth Donato – to Shadow Sandy Marlys

7. Beth Donato, a nurse from Sterling High School, to shadow Sandy Marlys to fulfill her requirements for her school nursing certification.

Judy Flores – Medical Leave anticipated Return date 12/22

8. Judy Flores to continue medical leave with an anticipated return date of December 2022.

**Heather Knapp
McGuirl, Pattie Clark,
Ryan Ko and Merri
Hansen – Stipend per
Month 9/1/22-13/31/22
Additional Duties**

- 9.** The following employees to receive a stipend per month from September 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022 (sooner if CST secretary returns) for additional duties incurred due to the absence of the Child Study Team Secretary.

Heather Knapp McGuirl - \$500
Patti Clark - \$500
Ryan Ko - \$500 (September and October only)
Merri Hansen - \$750

**Heather Knapp
McGuirl – Stipend per
month 9/22-6/23 for
Additional Duties**

- 10.** Heather Knapp McGuirl to receive a stipend of \$300.00 per month from September 2022 through June 2023 for additional duties related to substitute coverages and scheduling outside the school workday.

**Brian Johnson – Golf
Coach Stipend 22-23**

- 11.** Brian Johnson to be paid a stipend of \$625.00 as assistant golf coach for the 2022-2023 school year.

**Staff Member to be paid
20 hours for Leader in
me and Lighthouse
Committee Meetings**

- 12.** The following staff members to be paid for up to 20 hours not to exceed \$400.00 for the 2022- 2023 school year for Leader in me and Lighthouse Committee meetings after school hours (To be taken out of ESSR II).

Karen Macpherson	Ali Gilley	Holly Keple
Jennifer Pontarelli	Gunner Loper	Dan Carson
Paul Sorrentino	Ashton Whitaker	Lezley Turnbull
Tricia Singleton	Katie Rickenbach	Haley Attanasi
Kelly Livingston	Dylan Smith	

Motioned by Rebecca Lang Staffieri, Second by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon

**Vote: To approve Personnel Items 1 through 12
Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Ammen, Mrs. Vazquez-Colon, Mrs. Sorbello, Mrs. Rebecca Lang Staffieri and Mr. D’Amico (5-0-0)**

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Plans Item 1

Plans

Virtual Remote Learning Plan 22-23

1. Magnolia Public School Virtual Remote Learning Plan for the 22-23 school year

Motioned by Rebecca Lang Staffieri, Seconded by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon

Vote: To approve Plans Item 1

Voice Vote. All in favor

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Policies Item 1

Policies

Revised Policy and Regulation 2425 Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction

1. The revised policy and regulation 2425 Emergency Virtual Or Remote Instruction Program (**Attached**).

Motioned by Rebecca Lang Staffieri, Second by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon

Vote: To approve Policies Item 1

Voice Vote. All in favor

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Activities/Trips Item 1

Renaissance Trip to Lincoln Financial Field 9/29/22

1. The Renaissance trip to Lincoln Financial Field on September 29, 2022 this is not a board expensed trip.

Motioned by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon, Second by Rebecca Lang Staffieri

Vote: To approve Activities/Trips Item 1

Voice Vote. All in favor

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Addendum Item 1

Self Assessment Statement of Assurance for Determining Grades under the Anti Bullying Bill of Rights Act 22-23

1. Magnolia Public School's Self-Assessment statement of assurance for determining grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motioned by Karen Sorbello, Second by Rebecca Ammen

**Vote: To approve Addendum Item 1
Voice Vote. All in favor**

Motion Approved

**Board Secretary
Report**

BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Informational Items:

Board Actions

- Board Vacancy

Board Actions:

Motion to Approve Items A through G

Bill List

A. Warrants

The attached bill lists:

- August through September 2022 warrants (**Attachment A1**)

**BOE Members and
Administration Staff
to Attend the NJBS
Workshop 1/24-10/26**

- B. Convention** – To approve Magnolia BOE members and Administration staff to attend the NJSBA Workshop on October 24-26, 2022 at a cost of \$550.00 per person or \$2,200.00 group rate and related travel expenses.

**CM3 – CCESC
Contract #66CEPS
with CM3 for Stage
Lighting and Sound**

- C. CM3** – To approve purchase through CCESC Contract #66CCEPS with CM3 for stage lighting and sound in the amount of \$78,989.12.

**Bayada – Substitute
Nurse – Bayada 22-23**

- D. Bayada** – To approve substitute nurse contract with Bayada Home Health Care in the amount of \$60.00 per hour for substitute nursing services for the 2022-2023 school year.

**Bayada Home Health
Care – Non Fair and
Open**

- E. Non Fair and Open** – To award a non fair and open contract to Bayada Home Health Care for nursing services for student #39639502020 in an amount to exceed \$17,500.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.

**Mary Katzenbach –
Tuition Student
#3963952020 22-23**

- F. Tuition Contract** – To approve tuition contract with Mary Katzenbach School for student #5368036857 in the amount of \$4,000.00 for a 1:1 aide for the 2022-2023 school year.

**YALE – Tuition
Student #6064556294**

- G. Tuition Contract** – To approve tuition contract with YALE School West, Inc. for student #6064556294 in the amount of \$78,787.80 for tuition for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motioned by Rebecca Lang Stafferi, Second by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon

Vote: To approve Items A, D and E

Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Ammen, Mrs. Vazquez-Colon, Mrs. Sorbello, Mrs. Lang Staffieri and **Mr. D'Amico (4-0-1) **Mr. D'Amico to Item A - ESS and Bayada, Items D and E

Vote: To approve Items B,C,F & G

Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Ammen, Mrs. Vazquez-Colon, Mrs. Sorbello, Mrs. Lang Staffieri and Mr. D'Amico (5-0-0)

Motion Approved

Addendum

Addendum Items A through D

Bill List

A. Warrants

The attached bill lists:

- September 2022 warrants (**Attachment A1**)

**Sterling – Part Time
ELL Teacher 22-23**

B. Sterling – To approve a contract with Sterling Board of Education in the amount of \$35,095.12 for a part time ELL Teacher for the 2022-2023 school year.

**WJ Gross through
CCESC Contract
Gym Renovations**

C. Change Order – To approve change order with WJ Gross through CCESC Contract #66CCEPS for gym renovations in the amount of \$26,526.00.

**EMEX Resolution
20229-1 Authorizing
the Purchase of
Electricity Supply
Services**

D. EMEX – To approve the attached resolution 2022-9-1 authorizing the purchase of electricity supply services (**Attachment D1**).

Motioned by Rebecca Ammen, Second by Rebecca Lang Staffieri

Vote: To approve Addendum Items A through D

Roll Call Vote. All in favor: Mrs. Ammen, Mrs. Vazquez-Colon, Mrs. Sorbello, Mrs. Lang Staffieri and Mr. D'Amico (5-0-0)

Motion Approved

Audience Participation II None

Executive Session – None

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:45 pm by Rebecca Lang Staffieri Seconded by Alyssa Vazquez-Colon

**Vote: To Adjourn meeting
Voice Vote. All in favor**

Respectfully submitted,

**Greg Gontowski
Board Secretary**

