

AGENDA

Method Schools Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Tuesday, October 11, 2022, 6:00 PM

24620 Jefferson Ave, Murrieta, California

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Agenda items: To address the Board on agenda items, please specify the item on which you wish to speak on your "Public Comment". You will be given an opportunity to speak for up to three (3) minutes when the Board discusses that item.

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Translation services: Translation services are available by notifying the above school office by noon of the business day preceding the board meeting.

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1.0 **Call to Order:** Board President Carolyn Andrews called Board Meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.

2.0 **Roll Call**

Present: Carolyn Andrews, Tyler Roberts, Steven Dorsey, Gloria Vargas

Absent: Shannon Clark

Method Staff: Tracy Robertson, Yvette Rios, Stefanie Bryant, Jessica Spallino, Mark Holley, Jade Fernandez, Sarah Delawder

3.0 **Public Communication on Non-Agenda Items**

- None

4.0 **Emergency Findings: Consideration of findings to continue to hold virtual meetings pursuant to AB 361, including without limitation that: (1) the State and local state of emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person, (2) state and local officials continue to recommend social distancing measures, and (3) meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees and/or the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person due to the prevalence of the Delta variant of the COVID-19 virus, the indoor setting of meeting facilities, the potential presence of unvaccinated individuals attending meetings, the potential for noncompliance with mask wearing requirements, and desire to protect the health of immuno-compromised persons.**

Motion: Tyler Roberts

Second: Gloria Vargas

Ayes: Carolyn Andrews, Tyler Roberts, Steven Dorsey, Gloria Vargas

Noes: 0

Action: Passed

5.0 **Reports**

- **CEO:**
 - Jessica Spallino: We've been meeting with our Dehesa authorizing superintendent, his district has a severely declining enrollment, his school site is pretty rural and is looking for ways to grow enrollment. We've come up with an interesting potential partnership. We're looking at how to utilize the Dehesa site as an athletic training facility for students in the nearby East County area. The goal is to have something more formally outlined for you in November, a report out with more specifics, and possibly an approval.
 - **Conference Info:** Jessica: Following are potential conferences the board members may attend. If there are any that you're interested in, please contact Tracy:
 - **CSDC: 11/13 - 11/15 Sacramento & Virtual**
<https://www.csdconference.org/2022/>
 - **CCSA: 3/13 - 3/16 Sacramento**
<https://www.charterconference.org/2023/>
 - **CASBO: 4/4-4/7 Long Beach**
<https://www.casbo.org/learn-grow/events/annual-conference/>
 - **CSBA: Various Governance/Brown Act Trainings**
<https://www.csba.org/en/TrainingAndEvents/EventCalendar>
- **CBO:**
 - Mark Holley: This is a slower period for enrollment and it always picks up in January. We're on pace for about 970 ADA, which is pretty good. We're working on an updated purchasing approval module and building new master agreements in SmartFox.
 - **Report on Instructional Funds**
 - Mark: We're working on instructional funds modules in SmartFox.

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- **Senior Director of Schools:**
 - **Student Highlights**
 - Jade Fernandez: We just finished our first quarter. iReady Participation: We're seeing a lot of good trends in elementary and getting middle school to catch up to them. iXL (high school): We are more heavily focusing on math. We have really good trends. October events: yesterday was our last football game, we have a Fall festival on the 21st, and a few field trips. We are slated to be in the football championship tournament.

6.0 **Action: WEE Pathway**

Discussion: Sarah Delawder: The Work Experience Education Pathway helps prepare students for life beyond high school, with the goal of either going straight to a 4-year university or directly into the workforce. CTE is a focal point for Method right now. The Graphic Design class is one of our CTE pathways. Another CTE pathway that we brought is the Work Experience Education. CTE Pathways are 3-course series that lead to students being Pathway Completers (3 courses: the Exploratory Work Experience, the General Work Experience, and our Capstone Course in Leadership). Students get high school credit for having a job and applying the skills they learned in those courses, in that job.

Motion: Gloria Vargas

Second: Steven Dorsey

Ayes: Carolyn Andrews, Tyler Roberts, Steven Dorsey, Gloria Vargas

Noes: 0

Action: Passed

7.0 **Action: Ethnic Studies: African American**

Discussion: Sarah Delawder: In this course, the students will look at the African-American experience through the lens of the reconstruction era. It is a 2-semester course, they get area "B" credit in the UC a-g (once it gets approved). It is very inquiry-based where students get to explore topics of their own interest.

Motion: Steven Dorsey

Second: Gloria Vargas

Ayes: Carolyn Andrews, Tyler Roberts, Steven Dorsey, Gloria Vargas

Noes: 0

Action: Passed

8.0 **Action: Ethnic Studies: Chicax & Latinx**

Discussion: Sarah Delawder: This course looks at the history, culture, philosophy, and political concerns of the Latinx population, both through contemporary and historical perspectives. None of these courses are required, they're all opportunities.

Motion: Gloria Vargas

Second: Tyler Roberts

Ayes: Carolyn Andrews, Tyler Roberts, Steven Dorsey, Gloria Vargas

Noes: 0

Action: Passed

9.0 **Consent Items: All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved/enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or**

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removed from the agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board's votes on them.

- **Approval of September 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes**
- **September 2022 Check Register**
Motion: Steven Dorsey
Second: Tyler Roberts
Ayes: Carolyn Andrews, Tyler Roberts, Steven Dorsey, Gloria Vargas
Noes: 0
Action: Passed

10.0 Information/ Discussion Items:

- Steven Dorsey: I suggest that our curriculum lead join the ethnic studies collaborative that comes out of the San Diego County Office of Ed. As ethnic studies is becoming a requirement by the state soon, it is a great opportunity to share what you're doing and hear what others are doing.

11.0 Upcoming Agenda Items

- November: CEO Report - Partnership with Dehesa Authorizing Superintendent
- December: Final 21-22 Financial Statements
- December: 1st Interim Report Approval

12.0 Board Member Reports: None

13.0 Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

Board Vice President Tyler Roberts motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 P.M

Motion: Tyler Roberts
Second: Gloria Vargas
Action: Passed

Board Meeting Recording Link:

<https://methodschools.zoom.us/rec/play/2TaM69W2V2wvmFUjAizvfsglJuGq1efcWrcmoOimHwXxPWZNo8Q3EKmR4IR0U6lqearFO6yNTCWUlvY5.pjveOvv8ztZbxS3h?continueMode=true>