

# AGENDA

Method Schools Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

**Tuesday, February 15, 2022, 6:00 PM**

24620 Jefferson Ave, Murrieta, California

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**Public Communication on Non-Agenda Issues:** This is an opportunity for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. You will be given an opportunity to speak for a maximum of three (3) minutes and total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. Non-English speakers requiring translation are allotted a maximum of six (6) minutes. Due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue and not respond or take action. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested 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:** CEO Jessica Spallino of Method Schools called Board Meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

**2.0 Roll Call**

**Present:** Carolyn Andrews, Shannon Clark, Tyler Roberts, Steven Dorsey, Gloria Vargas

**Absent:** None

**Method Staff:** Jana Sosnowski, Jessica Spallino, Stefanie Bryant, Jade Fernandez, Tracy Robertson, Yvette Rios, Mark Holley

**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.

**5.0 Reports**

- **CEO:**
  - **AB 361- Modify Meeting Schedule**
    - Jessica Spallino: We've modified our board meeting schedule. We only had to add one and move a couple others around. We will make each meeting under 45 minutes.
- **CBO:** None
- **CAO/Director of Student Services:**
  - **Report Out:** None
  - **Student Highlights**
    - Jade Fernandez: We held a schoolwide assembly and celebrated our students and some of the things they've accomplished during the semester. I'm sharing a slideshow of students having fun and going places in September, and a list of students who have earned honor roll, attendance awards, academic growth awards.

**6.0 Action: SARC**

**Discussion:** Jessica: Our annual report card is completed and posted.

Jade: There are a couple of highlights such as the graduation rate; in 2019-20 it was at 48% and have moved it up to 75% for Dehesa. For LA, we started at 45% in 2019-20 and have moved it up to 74%.

Motion: Carolyn Andrews

Second: Shannon Clark

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

Noes: 0

Action: Passed

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

- **Approval of December 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes**
- **December 2021 - January 2022 Check Register**
  - Motion: Shannon Clark
  - Second: Gloria Vargas
  - Ayes: Carolyn Andrews, Shannon Clark, Tyler Roberts, Gloria Vargas, Steven Dorsey
  - Noes: 0
  - Action: Passed

**8.0 Information/ Discussion Items:**

- **Temecula Site Lease**
  - Mark Holley: The Murrieta site is a \$30,000 per month lease. At the time it made sense. It is now a very large headquarters. The lease is up in December and we need to find something that is usable for headquarters. We have a lease that we are ready to sign. It is \$3,500 a month and about ½ the size of the current center. It is a 3-year lease and goes from \$3,500 to \$3,600 the second year, and from \$3,600 to \$3,700 the third year.
- **LCAP Supplemental Update**
  - Jade: We usually do our LCAP at the end of the school year, but because of COVID and the additional funding that everyone got, we have to do a mid-year. We're tracking how we're doing on our goals and how our spending is. We have been using money for things such as updating our curriculum, expanding our counseling department, professional development, starting to build up events, and coaching.
  - Stefanie Bryant: These are the annual expenditures to date for each of the goals that have been set in the LCAP. Each goal has two or three actions underneath it. We're anywhere from 43 - 59% complete on our spend, which is good for this time of year. These numbers are the same for LA and San Diego. We are looking good as far as being in compliance with our LCAP.
  - Jade: Our first goal was to increase our academic achievement, graduation rate, and instructional practices and curriculum.
  - Jana Sosnowski: At the end of the first semester we found that only 5% of the grades we gave were Fs. For local and state assessments, we're pretty happy about how that's trending.
  - Jade: The second goal was to increase wraparound services. We are increasing in every single category. The last goal was to increase professional development for our staff. In the mid-year update, 90% of parents rated Method teachers very or extremely effective in Quarter 1. We started to implement eLoomi as a catalog of training. We're still in the process of the induction program.
- **A-G Completion Grant**
  - Jana: Method Dehesa and LA were given the UC A-G completion grant, which is automatic funding as long as you show how you are using it. We

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were awarded the Access Grant- we're using part of the funding to pay one contract writer and part of the salary of our internal math writer to develop Statistics and Data Science courses, so that our students who aren't interested in Calculus have more practical math options and can complete UC A-G requirements. Learning Loss Mitigation Grant- we've developed a catalog of credit recovery courses and put some of that funding to staff members that maintain those courses and oversee that student completion through those. Part of the funding is also for the professional development of our college counselors.

## 9.0 Upcoming Agenda Items

- Action Item: A-G Completion Grant

## 10.0 Board Member Reports: No comments.

## 11.0 Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

Board President Dr. Steven Dorsey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

### Board Meeting Recording Link:

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