Method Schools Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Tuesday, May 17, 2022, 6:00 PM

24620 Jefferson Ave, Murrieta, California
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Instructions for Presentations to the Board by Parents and Citizens

Method Schools ("School") welcomes your participation at the School's Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Directors ("Board") is to conduct the affairs of the School in public. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our School. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided:

Agendas and "Submit a Public Comment" forms are available via the link on our website on the Board Page. If you wish to speak, please fill out the form and specify the agenda item on which you wish to speak. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name and address and adhere to the time limits set forth.

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

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.

3. Public Records: Any public records relating to an agenda item for an open session of the Board that are distributed to the Board members shall be available for public inspection at the School office. Minutes of each Board meeting will also be available at the School office.

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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 Dr. Steven Dorsey 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: Tracy Robertson, Yvette Rios, Stefanie Bryant, Jessica

Spallino, 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.

Motion: Carolyn Andrews Second: Gloria Vargas

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

Noes: 0 Action: Passed

5.0 Reports

- CEO:
 - Founder Evaluations
 - Jessica Spallino: We are finishing up state testing and just about reached 95% participation for both schools. Next time, we will have the evaluations for Mark and myself. I wanted to get guidance from you on how you would like that to look. Last year, we sent out the survey link and you have the opportunity to discuss offline or before the meeting.
 - Carolyn Andrews: I'm good with what we did last year.
 - Tyler Roberts: Last year worked pretty well.
 - Shannon Clark: I agree.
- CBO:
 - Mark Holley: From a marketing standpoint, we have a little over 2,400 students enrolled for a July 1st start. I think we'll probably start July 1st at 2,800 3,000, and we're hoping to be at around 700 or 800 by September. We're looking to complete SmartFox 2.0 by August 1st.
- Senior Director of Schools:
 - Student Highlights
 - Tracy Robertson: We have graduation coming up, and have 64 students graduating from San Diego and 40 from LA. We've had a big increase in CAASPP testing. Basketball ended at 8-2. We have some new sports for 22-23: Flag Football, Girls Volleyball, Cross County, Baseball, Softball, Basketball, and Soccer. We have 8th grade promotion on 5/31/2022 and High School graduation on 6/1/2022.
 - Question: Tyler Roberts: Is there any thinking of Esports in Method?
 - Jessica: Yes. It requires quite a bit of curriculum development to go with it.

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We have about 75% developed. It is something we are looking at exploring for the 2022-23 school year.

6.0 Action: Staff Compensation

Discussion: Mark Holley: We've always felt that our compensation package was pretty fair taking into consideration that our teachers work from home and have that flexibility and PTO. But, compared to Riverside County and San Diego County averages, we are about midway. This is a nice jump. There are 6 employees who are receiving additional increases. Stefanie Bryant: All together it is about \$450,000.

Motion: Tyler Roberts Second: Shannon Clark

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

Noes: 0 Action: Passed

7.0 Action: 2022-23 Board Assignments

Discussion: Jessica Spallino: We wanted to discuss board roles for next year and how you'd like to move forward. We should try to be ready by next month. We will send out descriptions of each role so you can review it, and it can help guide the conversation on June 1st. We can move it to an action item on June 1st.

- 8.0 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 April 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes
 - April 2022 Check Register

Motion: Shannon Clark Second: Carolyn Andrews

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

Noes: 0 Action: Passed

9.0 Information/ Discussion Items:

LCAP Hearing

o Stefanie Bryant: This is an update of where we are at, as it is a three-year plan. There were three goals: 1) to increase academic achievement, 2) to work on wraparound services, 3) to improve PD. You'll be able to review this to approve on June 1st. Goal 1: Taking a look at the first metric, our baseline was to meet 80% of grades earned to be C's or better, and the outcome has been 95%. Goal 2: The first metric, participation in CTE, our baseline was to have 17 students enrolled for the 2021-22 school year, and we had 66. Goal 3: We had a baseline to have 67% of students rate their teachers as very or extremely effective, and the Year 1 outcome is at 90%. To highlight the finances, San Diego and LA finances are identical. As far

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as the spending goes, we are in compliance.

• June Board Meeting

o Jessica Spallino: Do we know how many are coming to the June 1st graduation and board meeting? Last year we made it an option to attend virtually as well. It'd be great to see as many of you as we can.

• Form 990

o Stefanie Bryant: The 2020 tax year 990 has been prepared by Clifton Larson. Jessica and Mark have approved that and it has been sent to the IRS. You as board members have been provided a copy via email, for informational purposes.

10.0 Upcoming Agenda Items

- Action Item: LCAP (June 1st approval)
- Action Item: 22-23 Budget Approval (June 1st)
- Action Item: 2022-23 Board Assignments Second Reading
- CEO Report: Founder Evaluations
- 11.0 Board Member Reports: None
- 12.0 Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

Board President Dr. Steven Dorsey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 P.M.

Board Meeting Recording Link:

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