I. Mission Statement

A. The mission of Monarch River Academy is to develop the individual gifts of students in Tulare County and adjacent counties to become proficient in Common Core State Standards and become critical thinkers, responsible citizens and innovative leaders prepared for academic and real-life achievement in the 21st Century. The mission will be accomplished in a personalized environment that fosters successful achievement through quality, personalized, standards-based education, which could include online coursework, offline textbook work, and unique hands-on and experiential learning experiences facilitated in partnership with students, parents, staff, and community.

II. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

Dr. Sam Nofziger, Sarah Sanchez, Elizabeth Wagner, & Dr. Monique Ouwinga-DeRuiter

Absent: Dr. Craig Wheaton

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Dr. Sam Nofziger called the meeting of the board of directors of Monarch River Academy to order on December 16, 2022 at 4:04 PM

C. Flag Salute

Dr. Sam Nofziger led the Flag Salute.

D. Discussion & Potential Action on the Approval of the Agenda

Sarah Sanchez made a motion to approve the agenda.

Elizabeth Wagner seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Public Comment

No public comments were made.

III. Governance

A. Board of Director Brown Act Training for the 2022-2023 School Year Jennifer McQuarrie went through the Brown Act Training.

IV. Closing Items

A. Board of Director Comments & Request

No Board comments or requests were made at this time.

- B. Announcement of the Next Scheduled Board Meeting
 - 1. Regular: January 24, 2023 at 6:00 PM

C. Adjourn Meeting

Sarah Sanchez made a motion to approve the agenda.

Dr. Monique Ouwinga-DeRuiter seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Meeting Notes

- A. Public Comment Rules: Members of the public may address the Board on agenda or non-agenda items through the teleconference platform, Zoom. Zoom does not require the members of the public to have an account or login. Please either utilize the chat option to communicate to the administrative team of your desire to address the Board or simply communicate orally your desire to address the Board when the Board asks for public comments. Speakers may be called in the order requests are received. Comments are limited to 2 minutes each, with no more than 15 minutes per single topic. If a member of the public utilizes a translator to address the Board, those individuals are allotted 4 minutes each. If the Board utilizes simultaneous translation equipment in a manner that allows the Board to hear the translated public testimony simultaneously, those individuals are allotted 2 minutes each. By law, the Board is allowed to take action only on items on the agenda. The Board may, at its discretion, refer a matter to school staff or calendar the issue for future discussion.
- B. Note: The Governing Board encourages those with disabilities to participate fully in the public meeting process. If you need a disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, to participate in the public meeting, please contact the Governing Board Office at (562) 758-0511 at least 48 hours before the scheduled board meeting so every reasonable effort can be made to accommodate you. (Government Code § 54954.2; Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, § 202 (42 U.S.C. § 1213)
- **C.** Note: Times listed on the agenda are estimates only and do not represent the actual time each agenda item will take place during the Board meeting. Similarly, the length of time noted for each of the agenda items also represents estimated duration, and not the actual length of time allocated for each.