

May 6, 2022 at 4:00 PM | 3610 E. Ashlan Avenue, Fresno, CA 93926

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## Monarch River Mission Statement

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.

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### Directors Present

Dr. Sam Nofziger, Monique Ouwinga, Elizabeth Wagner, & Sarah Sanchez (all remote)

### Directors Absent

Dr. Craig Wheaton

### Guests Present

Joanna Fung, Dr. Laurie Goodman, Stephanie Johnson, Jenny Plumb, Denise Voth, Anahi Garrett, Kimmi Buzzard (all remote)

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## Minutes

<b>1. Opening Items</b>
<b>1.A. Record Attendance</b>
<b>1.B. Call the Meeting to Order</b>

Dr. Sam Nofziger called the meeting of the board of directors of Monarch River Academy to order on Friday, May 6, 2022 at 4:02 PM.

#### **1.C. Flag Salute**

Dr. Sam Nofziger led the Flag Salute.

#### **1.D. Approval of the Agenda**

Elizabeth Wagner made a motion to approve the agenda.  
Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.  
The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **1.E. Public Comment**

No public comments were made.

### **2. Finance**

- Dr. Goodman presented the rationale for why the school would like to change their Title 1 status.
- Elizabeth Wagner asked for a specific example of how this change will benefit the school. Dr. Laurie Goodman explained how the current Intervention model is only for certain groups of students. Moving to the Schoolwide model will give the school flexibility to serve all students instead of only a select few groups.
- Elizabeth Wagner asked if there are any known drawbacks to this change. Dr. Laurie Goodman shared that there would be less paperwork and there are currently no known negatives.

Elizabeth Wagner made a motion to approve the change of Title 1 program from Targeted Assistance to Schoolwide.  
Sarah Sanchez seconded the motion.  
The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

### **3. Academic Excellence**

#### **3.A. 2022-2023 Master Agreement**

- Steph Johnson shared the proposed changes to the Master Agreement.
- Sarah Sanchez made a motion to approve the 2022-2023 Master Agreement  
Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

### **3.B. Resource Liaison Job Description**

- Steph Johnson shared the reason/need for the Resource Liaison.
- Elizabeth Wagner asked if this role will help connect resources and program information to families better. Dr. Laurie Goodman confirmed that this role will do just that and more.
- Sarah Sanchez shared that she is happy to see this position return to the school.
- Dr. Sam Nofziger shared that families feel safer, more comfortable, and more a part of the school community when schools have positions like this.

Sarah Sanchez made a motion to approve the Resource Liaison Job Description.

Elizabeth Wagner seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

## **4. Governance**

### **4.A. Changing the May Board Meeting**

- Dr. Goodman shared the reasons why the school is recommending that the Board meeting be changed from May 17th to May 24th.

Sarah Sanchez made a motion to change the Board meeting date from May 17th to May 24th.

Elizabeth Wagner seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

## **5. Closing Items**

### **5.A. Board of Director Comments & Requests**

- The board would like to discuss possibly changing the time of future Board Meetings.

### **5.B. Announcement of the Next Scheduled Board Meetings**

Regular: May 24, 2022 at 4:30 PM

### **5.C. Adjourn Meeting**

Monique Ouwinga made a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting at 4:29 PM.

Sarah Sanchez seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dr. Sam Nofziger

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**Prepared by:**  
**Kimmi Buzzard**

**Noted by:**

*Craig Wheaton*  
Craig Wheaton (Jun 2, 2022 19:25 PDT)

**Board Secretary**

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