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## Monarch River Academy

### Minutes

#### Special Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Tuesday December 1, 2020 at 5:00 PM

**Location**

3610 E. Ashlan Avenue  
Fresno, CA 93726

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/9854259770>

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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**

Ashley Wiens (remote), Craig Wheaton (remote), Monique Ouwinga (remote), Sarah Sanchez (remote)

**Directors Absent**

Samuel Nofziger

**Guests Present**

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Darlington Ahaiwe (remote), Denise Voth (remote), Dr. Laurie Goodman (remote), Dr. Rob Hudson (remote), Jenny Plumb (remote), Kimmi Buzzard (remote), Mariah Jordan (remote), Steph Johnson (remote), Steven James (remote), Yolanda Vazquez (remote)

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Record Attendance**

### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

Craig Wheaton called a meeting of the board of directors of Monarch River Academy to order on Tuesday Dec 1, 2020 @ 5:00 PM.

### **C. Flag Salute**

The flag salute was conducted.

### **D. Approval of the Agenda (p. 1-2)**

Monique Ouwinga made a motion to Approve.  
Sarah Sanchez seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **E. Public Comments**

None

## **II. Finance**

### **A. Budget Overview for Parents Public Hearing (p. 3-6)**

- Dr. Laurie Goodman presented the Budget Overview for Parents.
- Denise Voth discussed the work that the high school has been working on as well as the process of the student tutors.
- Jenny Plumb discussed lesson planning for outstanding direct instruction classes for targeted ELA and Math sessions.
- Stephanie Johnson discussed the school needs and data gathered to focus on areas of growth.
- Dr. James discussed the training of his team as well as the purchase of Reading Horizons and other curricula to assist students as well as training teachers. The Transition Team is working on projects to help high school students become college and career ready.

## **III. Operations**

### **A. Educational Vendor Policies & Procedures (p. 7-12)**

The board tabled this item and would like to revisit it at the next board meeting.

## **IV. Closing Items**

### **A. Board of Director's Requests**

None

### **B. Announcement of the Next Regular Scheduled Board Meeting**

December 8, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

**C. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sarah Sanchez

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Prepared by:  
Mariah Jordan

Noted by:



[Craig Wheaton \(Dec 10, 2020 08:28 PST\)](#)

Board Secretary

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