



Monarch River Academy

Minutes

Regular Scheduled Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday June 22, 2021 at 4:30 PM

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

Meeting ID: 985 425 9770

Join by Phone: (669) 900-6833

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.

Directors Present

Ashley Wiens (remote), Dr. Craig Wheaton (remote), Dr. Samuel Nofziger (remote), Monique Ouwinga (remote)

Directors Absent

Sarah Sanchez

Directors who left before the meeting adjourned

Dr. Samuel Nofziger

Guests Present

Cathy Troxell (remote), Darlington Ahaiwe (remote), Denise Voth (remote), Dr. Laurie Goodman (remote), Jenny Plumb (remote), Kimmi Buzzard (remote), Maria Thoeni (remote), Mariah Jordan (remote), Steph Johnson (remote), Yolanda Vazquez (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Dr. Samuel Nofziger called a meeting of the board of directors of Monarch River Academy to order on Tuesday Jun 22, 2021 at 4:32 PM.

C. Flag Salute

Sam Nofziger led the flag salute.

D. Approval of the Agenda (p. 1-3)

Ashley Wiens made a motion to approve.

Dr. Craig Wheaton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye

Sarah Sanchez Absent

Monique Ouwinga Aye

Ashley Wiens Aye

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Aye

E. Public Comment

No public comments.

F. Approve Minutes (p. 4-7)

Ashley Wiens made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Board Meeting on 05-25-21.

Dr. Craig Wheaton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Monique Ouwinga Aye

Ashley Wiens Aye

Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye

Sarah Sanchez Absent

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Aye

G. Approve Minutes (p. 8-16)

Dr. Craig Wheaton made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Scheduled Board Meeting on 05-25-21.

Ashley Wiens seconded the motion.

With the amendment to the minutes revising the language from 'Directors who left before the meeting adjourned' to Monique Ouwinga was excused from the board meeting at 6:00 pm. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Ashley Wiens Aye

Monique Ouwinga Aye

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Aye

Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye

Roll Call

Sarah Sanchez Absent

H. Executive Director Report (p. 17-45)

- Dr. Laurie Goodman spoke on the updates regarding the AB 1316 and Governor's Trailer Bill Langaue.
- Denise Voth shared information regarding High School Graduation, Pass Rate Increase, Concurrent Enrollment, and High School Tutors.
- Jenny Plumb and Maria Thoeni presented the 2020-2021 Testing and Intervention Services Presentation which showed targeted support and outlined the following items:
 - Student Support: Personalized Program, Intervention Options, and Student Support Team (SST) Meetings
 - Staff Support: Weekly Office Hours, Access to Content Specialists, Trainings and Professional Development, Bank of diagnostic assessment options, and maintained Intervention Progress Monitoring spreadsheet.
 - Families/Parent Support: Outstanding Direct Instruction, Math Training through the Tulare County Office of Education, Online programs for students, and one-on-one meetings.
 - Preliminary Year-end Results
 - Plans for 2021-2022 - Growing intervention program, piloting a hybrid virtual academy, increasing support, enhancing support, and implementing academic achievement.
- Cathy Troxell presented our STAR Assessment data and results along with participation levels along with the following:
 - 2021-2022's next steps are to analyze individual student growth compared with intervention efforts and create standards-aligned benchmarks for targeted grade level analysis.
- Yolanda Vazquez presented the Social and Emotional Learning and Students in Crisis Presentation which outlined the following items:
 - The numbers of students served
 - Transition Workshops, Guest Speakers, Job Fairs, and more.
 - Social-Emotional Learning classes
 - Students in Crisis website, action plans, meetings, and one food drive
 - Plans for 2021-2022: 2 Live SEL classes, 1 live Digital Citizenship Class, 1 live Adapted SEL class, 1 live Adulting 101 class, an Alumni Network, Department of Rehab Cohort, Job Corp Partnership, and a 9th-grade Live Directive Study Class for Mild/Moderate students.

II. Finance

A. May Financials (p. 46-73)

Monique Ouwinga made a motion to approve.

Ashley Wiens seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Sarah Sanchez Absent

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Aye

Monique Ouwinga Aye

Ashley Wiens Aye

Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye

B. 2021-2022 Operating Budget (p. 74-85)

Dr. Craig Wheaton made a motion to approve.
Ashley Wiens seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Dr. Craig Wheaton	Aye
Sarah Sanchez	Absent
Ashley Wiens	Aye
Monique Ouwinga	Aye
Dr. Samuel Nofziger	Aye

C. Due (To)/Due From Balances for Inspire - Los Angeles (p 86)

Dr. Craig Wheaton made a motion to approve.
Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.
The board agrees to the removal of the debt owed to Inspire. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Monique Ouwinga	Aye
Sarah Sanchez	Absent
Ashley Wiens	Aye
Dr. Craig Wheaton	Aye
Dr. Samuel Nofziger	Aye

D. Classified Salary Schedule (p. 87-88)

Ashley Wiens made a motion to approve.
Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Dr. Samuel Nofziger	Aye
Dr. Craig Wheaton	Aye
Ashley Wiens	Aye
Monique Ouwinga	Aye
Sarah Sanchez	Absent

E. Certificated Salary Schedules (p. 89-92)

Dr. Craig Wheaton made a motion to approve.
Ashley Wiens seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Sarah Sanchez	Absent
Dr. Samuel Nofziger	Aye
Dr. Craig Wheaton	Aye
Ashley Wiens	Aye
Monique Ouwinga	Aye

F. SPED Assessment Team Salary Schedule (p. 93-94)

Dr. Craig Wheaton made a motion to approve.
Ashley Wiens seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Sarah Sanchez	Absent
Dr. Samuel Nofziger	Aye
Dr. Craig Wheaton	Aye
Ashley Wiens	Aye
Monique Ouwinga	Aye

G. 2021-2022 Classified Confidential Management Salary Schedule (p. 95-96)

Ashley Wiens made a motion to approve.

Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Sarah Sanchez Absent

Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye

Ashley Wiens Aye

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Aye

Monique Ouwinga Aye

H. 2021-2022 Admin Salary Schedule (p. 97-98)

Ashley Wiens made a motion to approve.

Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Aye

Sarah Sanchez Absent

Monique Ouwinga Aye

Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye

Ashley Wiens Aye

Dr. Samuel Nofziger left at 5:48 PM.

I. 2021-22 Counselor Salary Schedule (p. 99-100)

Ashley Wiens made a motion to approve.

Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Absent

Monique Ouwinga Aye

Sarah Sanchez Absent

Ashley Wiens Aye

J. 2021-2022 Compensation Policy (p. 101-129)

Ashley Wiens made a motion to approve.

Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Sarah Sanchez Absent

Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye

Ashley Wiens Aye

Monique Ouwinga Aye

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Absent

III. Academic Excellence

A. Revised Independent Study Policy (p. 130-133)

Monique Ouwinga made a motion to approve.

Dr. Craig Wheaton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Monique Ouwinga Aye

Sarah Sanchez Absent

Roll Call

Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye
Dr. Samuel Nofziger Absent
Ashley Wiens Aye

B. Revised Work Sample Policy (p. 134-136)

Dr. Craig Wheaton made a motion to approve.
Ashley Wiens seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Absent
Sarah Sanchez Absent
Ashley Wiens Aye
Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye
Monique Ouwinga Aye

C. High School Graduation Requirements & Graduation Policy (p. 137-141)

Ashley Wiens made a motion to approve.
Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Absent
Monique Ouwinga Aye
Ashley Wiens Aye
Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye
Sarah Sanchez Absent

D. Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) (p. 142-194)

Ashley Wiens made a motion to approve.
Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.
Cathy Troxell presented the minor changes made since the public hearing. Action 1.8 formerly had a General Education Speech Pathologist was replaced with a General Education School Psychologist as the school already had a General Education Speech Language Pathologist listed under 1.1. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Absent
Ashley Wiens Aye
Monique Ouwinga Aye
Sarah Sanchez Absent
Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye

E. Budget Overview for Parents (BOP) (p. 195-198)

Dr. Craig Wheaton made a motion to approve.
Ashley Wiens seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye
Dr. Samuel Nofziger Absent
Ashley Wiens Aye
Monique Ouwinga Aye
Sarah Sanchez Absent

F. LCAP Annual Update and LCP Annual Update (p. 199-242)

Dr. Craig Wheaton made a motion to approve.

Ashley Wiens seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Sarah Sanchez	Absent
Dr. Samuel Nofziger	Absent
Ashley Wiens	Aye
Dr. Craig Wheaton	Aye
Monique Ouwinga	Aye

G. Local Indicator Review (p. 243-257)

Cathy Troxell presented the following:

- LCFF Priority 1: Appropriately Assigned Teachers, Access to Curriculum-Aligned Instructional Materials, and Safe, Clean, and Functional School Facilities
- LCFF Priority 2: Implementation of Academic Standards
- LCFF Priority 3: Parent Engagement
- LCFF Priority 6: Local Climate Survey
- LCFF Priority 7: Access to a Broad Course of Study

IV. Operations

A. Part Time Teacher Hourly Table (p. 258-259)

Ashley Wiens made a motion to approve.
Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Sarah Sanchez	Absent
Monique Ouwinga	Aye
Dr. Craig Wheaton	Aye
Dr. Samuel Nofziger	Absent
Ashley Wiens	Aye

B. Charter Safe Insurance Proposal Renewal (p. 260-274)

Ashley Wiens made a motion to approve.
Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Monique Ouwinga	Aye
Dr. Samuel Nofziger	Absent
Dr. Craig Wheaton	Aye
Ashley Wiens	Aye
Sarah Sanchez	Absent

C. Shared Staff Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) - Central & North Schools (p. 275-289)

Dr. Craig Wheaton made a motion to approve.
Ashley Wiens seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Dr. Samuel Nofziger	Absent
Sarah Sanchez	Absent
Dr. Craig Wheaton	Aye
Monique Ouwinga	Aye
Ashley Wiens	Aye

D. 2021-2022 Staff Instructional & Classified Calendars (p. 290-292)

Ashley Wiens made a motion to approve.

Dr. Craig Wheaton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Sarah Sanchez Absent

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Absent

Monique Ouwinga Aye

Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye

Ashley Wiens Aye

V. Closing Items

A. Board of Director's Comments & Requests

The Board of Directors would like comparable Admin salary schedules sent to them prior to the next board meeting.

B. Announcement of the Next Regular Scheduled Board Meeting

July 27, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.

C. Adjourn Meeting

Ashley Wiens made a motion to adjourn at 6:22 pm.

Monique Ouwinga seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Sarah Sanchez Absent

Dr. Craig Wheaton Aye

Dr. Samuel Nofziger Absent

Monique Ouwinga Aye

Ashley Wiens Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mariah Jordan

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