



Highlights from October 5th, 2023 Board of Directors' Regular Meeting

Reports from Administration

Please see below for provided reports.

Board Committee Highlights

- Highway 105: The recirculation road behind MA West is completed, functional and operational. There are two small remaining items, a swing arm at the top of the S curve and a pedestrian sign that is being addressed for the crosswalk. Thank you to El Paso County, Wildcat Construction, Wilson & Co, and MA West Admin team for all their work and combined efforts that have brought us to this place of progress.
- Governance/Policy: The committee is finalizing edits on a draft policy on gender transition and parental rights based on the board resolution passed on June 27th, 2023. Policy first read is anticipated to occur at the November 9th, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. To review the resolution click here: [Resolution Regarding the Privacy and Protection of Students as it relates to Colorado S.B. 08-200 and Colorado H.B. 21-1108.](#)
- Curriculum: The curriculum committee is in the process of reviewing and selecting a new math curriculum. Please look for future information on when the curriculum is open for community review per [policy IJ-MA](#).
- Buildings & Facilities: The East Campus modulars received their certificate of occupancy and are being utilized. Thank you to the East Campus Admin team for their work on this.

2023-2024 Employee Handbook

Members of the admin team presented on the suggested redlines and provided an explanation of changes being proposed to employee leave benefits. Admin will be holding two employee/staff meetings for further questions and answers. These meetings are scheduled for Oct 18th (West) and Oct 19th (East) at 4pm respectively for employees at each campus.

Resolution for Bank Authorized Signatures on Raffle Account

The board approved a resolution authorizing signatures for a raffle account which will be utilized for fundraising and future events.

23-24 Board of Directors Regular Meeting Dates Calendar

The board made edits to two calendar dates. Please see below for the updated calendar. PLEASE NOTE OUR MEETINGS NOW BEGIN AT 6:30PM.



October Board/Community Café Chat

Board members Emily Belisle and Joe Buczkowski invite you to join them at Serrano's Coffee on October 18th at 10am at Wesley Owens Coffee & Cafe

Please RSVP here: [Oct 18 RSVP](#)

School Spotlight

This month's school spotlight was awarded to the 8th Grade Science Teacher, Mr. Karl Brown. His nomination read:

Karl Brown has stepped up this school year as a leader not only of his grade level team, but as a leader in the school. Karl has taken extraordinary steps to support his colleagues through providing time to help teachers with setting up their Canvas for the upcoming school year, mentoring new teachers, and as the team lead he keeps them informed and supported.

Karl always provides excellent instruction in the classroom. He sets high expectations for his students' learning and they meet those expectations, even though it is challenging, the students come away understanding how much they have learned in the classroom. Karl does not rest on his laurels and is always looking to improve his practice by asking questions and implementing new learnings. Karl does not let a minute in the day go to a waste. Karl makes such a positive impact on our students and the MA community.

What's coming up?

- October 26th, 2023: Board Work Session on FY 23-24 Budget. 6:30pm @ MA East Campus. Room location TBD.
- November Board/Community Cafe Chat: Join board members Karen Hoida and Ryan Graham on November 3rd from 8-9am at Serranos' Coffee Company. RSVP here: <https://forms.gle/2cYfe3ddwB3kcEs99>.
- MA Board of Directors Regular Meeting: **November 9th at 6:30pm** in the East Campus Gym
 - Public Comments are welcome related to agenda or non-agenda items. You must attend in person and sign-up on the public comment sheet prior to 6:30pm. The doors will open around 6pm for any attendees. Meetings are recorded and uploaded to our YouTube Channel: [Monument Academy School Board](#). For live streams click on "live." For meetings that were recorded and uploaded, click on "videos."