



MBPSB General Meeting Minutes of 06/12/2025

Meeting called to order at 6:15 pm

Attendees

- Richale Babbs
- Roosevelt Dean
- Shirley Winzer
- Alley
- Carolyn Smith
- Randall Dunham
- Gloria Morris
- Robert Morris
- Pamela Merritt-Bennett
- Charlie Bennett
- Annette Lee
- Estella Dunn
- Lola Smith
- Loretta Spence
- Herchel Sampson

Opening Prayer

Rev. Roosevelt Dean

Pledge

Led by Estella Dunn

Motions

Motion to Adopt Agenda motioned by Roosevelt Dean, seconded by Shirley Winzer.

Motion to Adopt Minutes from May 2025 motioned by Shirley Winzer, seconded by Roosevelt Dean.

Note: April minutes were revised to remove Pam Bennett's name.

Treasurer's Report

Postponed to August meeting due to pending financial review.

Program Presentations by Harvest Park Educational Center (HPEC)

Tutoring Program Update (Merced):

- Launched January 13th
- Targeted for at-risk students referred by principals
- Includes lifestyle curriculum
- Operates Monday–Friday
- Covers 18 academic modules
- Summer sessions to be hosted at UC Merced
- Challenges include student behavior, limited space, internet issues, and coordination with schools

Community Program Update:

- Difficulty receiving timely student lists from school districts

Standing Rules and Voucher Policy

Discussion held on implementing standing rules and voucher reimbursement.

Decision: table until policies and procedures are clearly added to bylaws. No vote raised

Parent Advocacy & School Issues

Richale Babbs to file complaint on retaliatory actions toward her daughter at the June 24 board meeting.

Aaliyah Smallwood shared advocacy challenges and lack of IEP support for her son.

Executive Council Elections

All Executive Council positions open for September elections.

Nominations/applications to be submitted via email to Estella Dunn.

Event Planning

Juneteenth – June 21, 2025 @ Applegate Park

- Need male volunteers for tent setup/not voted on

Parent Engagement Group Pilot Program:

- “Back to School Night” at St. Matthew’s Church
- Restorative justice assembly with Andre Griggs
- Bullying prevention and parent rights workshops
- Carnival-style celebration with food and supplies for 40 children
- Invitations extended to community and planning committee

Next Steps

- Executive Council: Finalize standing rules for bylaws
- Parent Engagement Group: Distribute Black Parallel handbook
- All Members: Submit nominations for Executive Council
- Treasurer: Prepare August financial presentation
- Merced Black: Send Pastor Morris's contact and HPE program info to Aaliyah Smallwood

Motion to Adjourn

Motioned by Roosevelt Dean, seconded by Shirley Winzer

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:00 PM

Minutes recorded by: Richale Babbs

It was also discussed that the Secretary will draft and send a formal letter to state officials on behalf of MBPSB opposing Senate Bill 19 (SB19).

A motion to approve the Back to School Night event was raised but tabled until a follow-up meeting scheduled for June 18th at 11:45 AM to finalize and present a budget.

A presentation for the upcoming Back to School Night was delivered.

A presentation for the Parent Engagement Program was delivered.

A motion was voted on and passed to remove Pam Bennett's name from the April meeting minutes.

Action Items Summary

Action Item	Responsible Party
Review and establish clear policies and procedures for implementing standing rules in the bylaws	Executive Council
Distribute and review Black Parallel handbook with parents	Parent Engagement Group
Organize Back-to-School event at St. Matthew's Church with Andre Griggs	Parent Engagement Group
File a formal complaint regarding retaliatory actions at June 24th board meeting	Raquel Babbs
Submit nominations/applications for Executive Council positions for September elections	All Members
Prepare and organize treasurer's report for August meeting	Merced Black
Send HPE summer program info and Pastor Morris's contact to Aaliyah Smallwood	Merced Black

Next MBPSB Meeting

August 2025, 6:00 PM

Motion to Adjourn by Pamela Merritt-Bennett and Shirly Winzer at 8:24pm

Minutes recorded by Richale Babbs, Secretary