Macomb Academy Board of Directors Meeting – Electronic Access March 18, 2021

The Macomb Academy Board Meeting scheduled for <u>Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.</u> will take place through remote participation using virtual technology as permitted by law through PA 228 of 2020. Information about the law and meeting access are provided below.

To attend the Thursday, March 18, 2021, Macomb Academy Board Meeting virtually, please choose video or telephone access and follow the directions provided below:

Topic: Macomb Academy Board Meeting

Day, Date and Time: Thursday, March 18, 2021, 4:30 PM

Video Access: click the following link to join and enter the password when prompted

https://zoom.us/j/97662015051?pwd=MkIwUkhoTUh3OHN5elBYVGxnWFFpdz09

Password: 29093

Phone Access: Dial the following number, enter Meeting ID and password when prompted and press #, and press

when prompted to join as a participant)

Dial: (929) 205-6099 **Meeting ID:** 976 6201 5051 **Meeting Password:** 29093

Please contact Macomb Academy for assistance with accessibity to the meeting:

Building: (586) 228-2201 **Remote:** (586) 212-0665

Public Act 228 of 2020 and SB1246 Effective October 16, 2020 and amended December 23, 2020 Authorization of remote participation in public meetings and hearings.

On December 22, 2020, Governor Whitmer signed SB1246 into law allowing the continuance of government meetings to be conducted virtually. PA 228 of 2020 amends existing law that requires most government meetings to be open to the public by allowing for and accommodating remote participation, even as some in-person meetings resume. In the event school boards choose to hold meetings electronically, PA 228 of 2020 contains a list of requirements that must be met which include, but are not limited to the following:

- Require a public body to establish procedures to accommodate the absence of a member due to a medical
 condition or a statewide or locally declared state of emergency that would risk the health and safety of
 members or the public.
- Exempt a meeting of any State legislative body at which a formal vote was taken from the accommodation requirements of the bill.
- Allow a meeting of a public body to be held electronically under certain circumstances and specify that a meeting held in that manner would be subject to the same requirements as an in-person meeting.
- Require an electronically held meeting to be conducted in a manner that permitted two-way communication between members and participants.
- Prescribe notice requirements for meetings held electronically.
- Prohibit a public body from requiring a person to register or provide his or her name as a condition of participating in an electronic meeting.
- Require members of the public to be excluded from participating in a closed session of a public body held electronically, if that session complied with the Act.