



Michigan Virtual Charter Academy

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**Michigan Virtual Charter Academy
Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
Monday – November 28, 2022
6:00 PM
Hazel Park Schools
1620 E. Elza
Hazel Park, Michigan 48030**

If unable to attend in person, please participate via zoom link below:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85738639540>

1. Call to Order

Time: 6:05 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Marva Foster, Scott Stangeland, Monique Lake, Lynn Hathorn, Aaron Walker, Colin Houston

Ramone Crowe Jr. arrived at 6:07 p.m.

Other Attendees:

Randy Rodriguez-MVCA, Rachel Forgo-MVCA, Josh Weld-Wallis-MVCA, Tanya Kuipers-MVCA,
Ann VanderLaan-Clark Hill, Michael Dixon-Dixon Public Consulting, LLC., Shari Herbet-Stride K12,
Todd McIntire-Stride K12, Tom Graham via zoom-Stride K12

3. Public Comment on Agenda (comment on agenda items only, 3 minutes per person)

None

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Director Colin Houston moved to approve the agenda.

Second: Director Monique Lake

Motion unanimously approved

5. Approval of October 24, 2022 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

Motion: Director Aaron Walker moved to approve the October 24, 2022 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting.

Second: Director Colin Houston

Motion unanimously approved

6. Approval of October 24, 2022 Minutes of the Closed Session of the Regular Board Meeting

Motion: Director Monique Lake moved to approve the October 24, 2022 Minutes of the Closed Session of the Regular Board Meeting.

Second: Director Lynn Hathorn

Motion unanimously approved

7. Finance Report

Mrs. Shari Herbert presented the October finance report.

- a. Motion to approve the October K12 and non-K12 invoices of \$2,090,939.34

Motion: Director Scott Stangeland moved to approve the October K12 and non-K12 invoices of \$2,090,939.34.

Second: Director Ramone Crowe Jr.

Motion unanimously approved

- b. Motion to accept the October finance report

Motion: Director Scott Stangeland moved to accept the October finance report.

Second: Director Colin Houston

Motion unanimously approved

8. Head of School Report

Head of School, Randy Rodriguez, shared an enrollment update for MVCA. There has been steady enrollment growth 2019 through 2022. This data is based on the official head count day in October. The current November head count is 3,055 students.

- a. Playbook Presentation – Elementary

Elementary Principal, Tanya Kuipers, highlighted what the elementary has been doing the past year. Literacy is the big focus. Three of the four chapters of the MVCA Playbook that encompasses literacy include Academic Achievement and Growth, Student Engagement, and Teacher Excellence. Mrs. Kuipers noted the continuous development of The Literacy Roadmap including Tiered Support and Informal Observations. The Tiered Support Plan is a focus on systematic, explicit instruction in whole group and small group. Tier I, II, and III instruction plans are put into place. Students are given extensive assessments such as DIBELS and STAR 360; teachers use the assessment data to inform their instruction. Through informal observations, evaluators look at teachers' academic rigor and how they plan coherent instruction with a focus on literacy skills. Teachers are coached and trained (LETRS and Orton-Gillingham Literacy) to further enhance student achievement. The elementary school implemented a 90-minute literacy block every day. Other effective changes include the integration of interventionists under the principals, implementation of MindPlay virtual literacy program, and reduction of classroom sizes. Mrs. Kuipers showed a video clip of a 1st grade teacher implementing a lesson using the Orton-Gillingham literacy approach.

9. Closed Session

- a. Motion to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss written attorney-client privileged communication regarding Renaissance Learning, Inc. proposed Quote and related documents for Student Online Math and ELA Programs

Motion: Director Aaron Walker moved to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss written attorney-client privileged communication regarding Renaissance Learning, Inc. proposed Quote and related documents for Student Online Math and ELA Programs.

Second: Director Colin Houston

Motion unanimously approved

- b. Motion to enter into open session of the regular board meeting

Motion: Director Lynn Hathorn moved to enter into open session of the regular board meeting.

Second: Director Colin Houston

Motion unanimously approved

10. New Business

- a. Motion to approve Renaissance Learning Inc.'s Quote for the Freckle Student Online Math and ELA Programs

Motion: Director Monique Lake moved to approve Renaissance Learning Inc.'s Quote for the Freckle Student Online Math and ELA Programs.

Second: Director Colin Houston
Motion unanimously approved

- b. Motion to approve MVCA Board of Directors' Public Notice Posting in Compliance with Public Act 213 of 2022

Motion: Director Colin Houston moved to approve MVCA Board of Directors' Public Notice Posting in Compliance with Public Act 213 of 2022.

Second: Director Monique Lake
Motion unanimously approved

- c. Motion to change the December MVCA Board of Directors meeting to Tuesday, December 13 at 6:00 p.m. at Clark Hill, Birmingham, MI

Clark Hill
151 S. Old Woodward Suite 200
Birmingham, MI 48009

Motion: Director Lynn Hathorn moved to change the December MVCA Board of Directors meeting to Tuesday, December 13 at 6:00 p.m. at Clark Hill, Birmingham, MI.

Second: Director Colin Houston
Motion unanimously approved

11. Authorizer Comments and Updates

None

12. K12 Comments and Updates

Mr. Todd McIntire shared updates regarding the recent election changes. School of Choice has become more of a partisan issue; based on past indications, funding cuts with charter schools and virtual charters schools may be a potential target. Mr. McIntire noted that Stride is in an evaluating and planning mode and partnering with other organizations as we move forward. Stride has also collaborated with MAPSA (conference Dec. 7th) and PSO. There are a lot of efforts to bring people together and Stride may be asking for the board to help. In a future board meeting, Mr. McIntire would like to share Stride's key innovations.

13. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (limited to 3 minutes)

Mrs. Ann VanderLaan formally invited board members to attend the annual holiday board member dinner.

14. Reminder of Next Board Meeting

December 13, 2022
Clark Hill, Birmingham, MI
6:00 PM

15. Adjournment

8:03 p.m.