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**Michigan Virtual Charter Academy
Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
Monday – October 23, 2023
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/84697157260>

1. **Call to Order** Time: 6.03 p.m.
2. **Roll Call**
Marva Foster, Monique Lake, Colin Houston, Aaron Walker

Ramone Crowe Jr. arrived at 6:16 p.m.

Absent: Scott Stangeland

Other Attendees:
Randy Rodriguez-MVCA, Rachel Forgo-MVCA, Tom Travia-Stride K12, Ann VanderLaan-Clark Hill,
Michael Dixon-Dixon Public Consulting, LLC., Josh Weld-Wallis via zoom-MVCA, Todd McIntire
via zoom-Stride K12, Mary Markert via zoom-Stride K12, Rebekah Cox via zoom-Stride K12
3. **Public Comment on Agenda** (comment on agenda items only, 3 minutes per person)
None
4. **Approval of Modified Agenda tabling Item 6c: Motion to accept the September finance report for the November board meeting**

**Motion: Director Colin Houston moved to approve the Modified Agenda tabling Item 6c:
Motion to accept the September finance report for the November board meeting.
Second: Director Monique Lake
Motion unanimously approved**

5. Approval of September 25, 2023 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

Motion: Director Aaron Walker moved to approve September 25, 2023 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting.

Second: Director Colin Houston

Motion unanimously approved

6. Finance Report

Yeo & Yeo Auditing Firm representative, Shelby Griffin, presented the 2023-2023 MVCA auditing process and conclusions. The 2022-2023 audit was a clean audit with no findings.

- a. Motion to accept the final annual audit for the 2022-2023 school year by Yeo & Yeo Auditing Firm

Motion: Director Colin Houston moved to accept the final annual audit for the 2022-2023 school year by Yeo & Yeo Auditing Firm.

Second: Director Aaron Walker

Motion unanimously accepted

Mr. Tom Travia presented the September finance report.

- b. Motion to approve the September K12 and non-K12 invoices of \$3,325,210.23

Motion: Director Marva Foster moved to approve the September K12 and non-K12 invoices of \$3,325,210.23.

Second: Director Monique Lake

Motion unanimously approved

- c. Motion to accept the September finance report

Note: Motion tabled until November board meeting.

7. Head of School Report

Head of School, Mr. Randy Rodriguez, shared highlights from MVCA's recent audits and reviews. Mr. Rodriguez explained that audits and reviews are compliance components that are the springboards to excellence. The Michigan Department of Education is currently conducting a Title III audit this year, which also includes a two-day instructional module session on Title III. MDE and the State of Michigan complete an audit known as the Strand Report on Special Education. MVCA's authorizer, Hazel Park's audit focused on Human Resources and Personnel. Stride K12's current audit focuses on MVCA completing a self-assessment regarding Operations

and Special Programs. Finally, Mr. Rodriguez noted that MVCA is in the process of an internal audit reviewing teacher certification. Each audit and review have been very successful. Mr. Rodriguez also highlighted that MVCA is offering 32 clubs for the 2023-2024 school year.

8. Item of Importance

- a. Discussion on the Reauthorization Process

Note: Authorizer Representative, Mark Weinberg, has sent MVCA forms to complete as part of the reauthorization process. The forms shall be completed by Randy Rodriguez and MVCA and the MVCA School Board. MVCA has developed a team that is currently working on all necessary components as part of this process.

9. New Business

- a. Motion to approve the Board Resolution for MVCA to join the Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus, to appoint the MVCA "Designated Officials" as set forth in the Board Resolution, and to authorize the MVCA Designated Officials with full power and authority to effectuate the investment and withdrawal of monies of the Academy from time to time in accordance with the Declaration of Trust

Note: MILAF representative, Brian Quinn, gave a presentation to the board at the August meeting. The Resolution and Declaration of Trust were reviewed by Clark-Hill.

Motion: Director Ramone Crowe Jr. Moved to approve the Board Resolution for MVCA to join the Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus, to appoint the MVCA "Designated Officials" as set forth in the Board Resolution, and to authorize the MVCA Designated Officials with full power and authority to effectuate the investment and withdrawal of monies of the Academy from time to time in accordance with the Declaration of Trust.

Second: Director Aaron Walker

Motion unanimously approved

- b. Motion to approve December 18, 2023 board meeting location change from Hazel Park Schools to Clark Hill-Birmingham (new address: 220 Park Street, Suite 200, Birmingham, MI 48009)

Motion: Director Colin Houston moved to approve December 19, 2023 board meeting location change from Hazel Park Schools to Clark Hill-Birmingham (new address: 220 Park Street, Suite 200, Birmingham, MI 48009).

Second: Director Monique Lake

Motion unanimously approved

- c. Motion to approve MVCA Board Member Colin Houston to the MVCA Finance Committee, effective October 23, 2023

Motion: Director Aaron Walker moved to approve MVCA Board Member Colin Houston to the MVCA Finance Committee, effective October 23, 2023.

Second: Director Monique Lake

Motion unanimously approved

10. Authorizer Comments and Updates

None

11. K12 Comments and Updates

Mr. Todd McIntire noted Stride's Board and Partner Summit 2023 takes place this week. Mr. McIntire also noted that there is a package of bills labeled as a charter schools transparency package that will be formally released soon. Groups of charter school advocates have been effective in revisions of some of the components in the package. These bills focus on transparency of charter schools and sharing of information. Updates to come as the package is released.

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

None

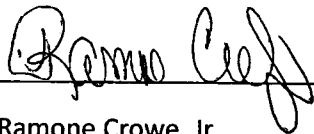
13. Reminder of Next Board Meeting

November 20, 2023
Hazel Park Schools
6:00 PM

14. Adjournment

7:14 p.m.

The undersigned duly qualified Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Michigan Virtual Charter Academy hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the Board Meeting Minutes of the regular board meeting held on October 23, 2023, and approved at the Board's Regular November 20, 2023 Board Meeting, and that proper notice of the regular public Board Meeting was given to the public pursuant to the provisions of the pen Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended.



Ramone Crowe, Jr.

Board Secretary

11/20/23

Date