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**Michigan Virtual Charter Academy
Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
Monday – June 26, 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/85710769747>

1. Call to Order

Time: 6:37 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Monique Lake, Colin Houston, Scott Stangeland, Ramone Crowe Jr., Aaron Walker

Absent: Marva Foster

Other Attendees:

Randy Rodriguez-MVCA, Rachel Forgo-MVCA, Todd McIntire-Stride K12, Shari Herbert-Stride K12, Michael Dixon-Dixon Public Consulting, LLC., Dr. Amy Kruppe-Hazel Park, Jamie Buczko-Hazel Park, Josh Weld-Wallis via zoom-MVCA, Tom Graham via zoom-Stride K12, Ann VanderLaan via zoom-Clark Hill

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

None

4. **Approval of the modified agenda tabling item 11c: “Motion to approve Pathful Explorer Software Program and authorize the Head of School to sign Pathful Order Form in the amount up to \$5,000.00” for the July Board Meeting**

Motion: Director Colin Houston moved to approve the modified agenda tabling item 11c: “Motion to approve Pathful Explorer Software Program and authorize the Head of School to sign Pathful Order Form in the amount up to \$5,000.00” for the July Board Meeting.

Second: Director Aaron Walker

Motion unanimously approved

5. **Approval of May 22, 2023 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting**

Motion: Director Ramone Crowe Jr. moved to approve May 22, 2023 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting.

Second: Director Colin Houston

Motion unanimously approved

6. **Motion to Accept Academy Board Lynn Hathorn’s resignation effective May 31, 2023**

Motion: Director Colin Houston moved to accept Academy Board Lynn Hathorn’s resignation effective May 31, 2023.

Second: Director Aaron Walker

Motion unanimously approved

7. **Motion to Approve the Resolution Appointing Board Members of Michigan Virtual Charter Academy for the following four-year terms:**

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| i. Marva Foster | July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2027 |
| ii. Monique Lake | July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2027 |
| iii. Scott Stangeland | July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2027 |
| iv. Colin Houston | July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2027 |

Motion: Director Ramone Crowe Jr. moved to approve the Resolution Appointing Board Members of Michigan Virtual Charter Academy for the following four-year terms:

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| v. Marva Foster | July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2027 |
| vi. Monique Lake | July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2027 |
| vii. Scott Stangeland | July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2027 |
| viii. Colin Houston | July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2027 |

Second: Director Scott Stangeland

Motion unanimously approved

8. **Oath of Office**

Hazel Park Superintendent, Dr. Kruppe, gave the Public Oath of Office to the following board members: Monique Lake, Scott Stangeland, Colin Houston. The Oath of Office was notarized by Jamie Buczko (Hazel Park).

9. Finance Report

Mrs. Shari Herbert presented the May finance report, FY 2022-2023 modified budget, and FY 2023-2024 proposed budget.

- a. Motion to approve the May K12 and non-K12 invoices of \$2,291,585.54

Motion: Director Scott Stangeland moved to approve the May K12 and non-K12 invoices of \$2,291,585.54.

Second: Director Colin Houston

Motion unanimously approved

- b. Motion to accept the May finance report

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

Second: Director Aaron Walker

Motion unanimously approved

- c. Motion to approve fiscal year 2022-2023 modified budget

Motion: Director Scott Stangeland moved to approve fiscal year 2022-2023 modified budget.

Second: Director Ramone Crowe Jr.

Motion unanimously approved

- d. Motion to approve fiscal year 2023-2024 proposed budget

Note: Revisions were made to the fiscal year 2023-2024 proposed budget resolution: MVCA name updated throughout, fund balance labels and dates revised, and revised final fund balance accordingly. The updated, revised resolution was included in the motion and signed.

Motion: Director Scott Stangeland moved to approve fiscal year 2023-2024 proposed budget.

Second: Director Colin Houston

Motion unanimously approved

10. Head of School Report

- a. Graduation Highlights

Head of School, Randy Rodriguez, shared highlights from MVCA's 2023 Graduation ceremony. The high school team and graduation organizer, Annie Butzu, did an outstanding job with this year's ceremony. The high school's focus on Creating Pathways for students was displayed in students' plans of either enrollment, employment, or enlistment. The commencement speech was delivered by high school principal, Dr. Laura VanDuyn. The graduation keynote speaker was Deng Jongkuch, author of *A Story*

of Hope: The Journey of a Lost Boy of Sudan. Student highlights included MVCA's senior Valedictorian - a 16-year-old who graduated early. Another highlight included a performance by a senior student who, as part of her Innovation Research Project, wrote and produced a song. Mr. Rodriguez shared that the Kawthar Al-Haqq Award of Perseverance was presented to a deserving student who had overcome a traumatic brain injury. Furthermore, Mr. Rodriguez shared that a special graduation ceremony was held for a student at the MVCA Grand Rapids' office for a student who was unable to attend the main ceremony. MVCA Graduation 2023 was a great success.

11. New Business

- a. Motion to approve the annual renewal of the 2023-2024 insurance policies through Arthur J. Gallagher & Company of \$99,023.05

Motion: Director Scott Stangeland moved to approve the annual renewal of the 2023-2024 insurance policies through Arthur J. Gallagher & Company of \$99,023.05.

Second: Director Colin Houston

Motion unanimously approved

- b. Motion to approve the Financial Consulting Services Agreement with Dixon Public Consulting LLC for the fiscal school year 2023-2024 and authorize the MVCA Board President to sign same

Note: A change in the agreement consists of \$40 a day for food allowance (two meals a day) and \$150.00 a night for lodging.

Motion: Director Scott Stangeland moved to approve the Financial Consulting Services Agreement with Dixon Public Consulting LLC for the fiscal school year 2023-2024 and authorize the MVCA Board President to sign same.

Second: Director Ramone Crowe Jr.

Motion unanimously approved

- c. Motion to approve Pathful Explorer Software Program and authorize the Head of School to sign Pathful Order Form in the amount up to \$5,000.00

Tabled for July's Board Meeting.

- d. Motion to approve Aviation Career Exploration (ACE) Summer Program 2023

Note: Mr. Rodriguez shared that this is a valuable camp for MVCA's students. It can cost up to \$100 per student and approximately 20-30 students attend per year. It is also noted that Director Ramone Crowe Jr. does not receive any compensation for his participation in the summer program. Director Crowe Jr. noted that MVCA students are

very interactive and engaged in the summer program. Students receive their own drone and a rocket to assemble. The camp also focuses on interview and presentation skills.

Motion: Director Colin Houston moved to approve Aviation Career Exploration (ACE) Summer Program 2023.

Second: Director Aaron Walker

Motion unanimously approved (Director Ramone Crowe Jr. abstained from voting)

- e. Motion to approve change of the July 17th, 2023, Regular Board Meeting to be held at Hampton Inn and Suites at 100 Wilshire Dr., Troy, MI at 5:00 p.m.

Motion: Director Scott Stangeland moved to approve change of the July 17th, 2023, Regular Board Meeting to be held at Hampton Inn and Suites at 100 Wilshire Dr., Troy, MI at 5:00 p.m.

Second: Director Colin Houston

Motion unanimously approved

12. Authorizer Comments and Updates

None

13. K12 Comments and Updates

Mr. Todd McIntire shared an update regarding the state proposed budget cuts. He noted that a budget conference committee was submitting their conference report by June 27, 2023, and further negotiations around the state budget will take place. The House of Representatives continues to stand up for no funding cuts to cyber charter schools as the state reaches their final stages of producing a budget.

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

Mr. Rodriguez shared that Mrs. Shari Herbert (Regional Finance Manager) has accepted another position. MVCA has appreciated working with her and would like to wish her well.

15. Reminder of Next Board Meeting

July 17, 2023

Hampton Inn and Suites

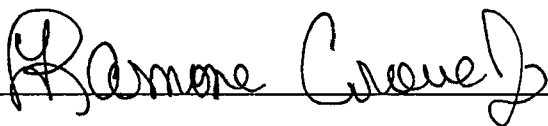
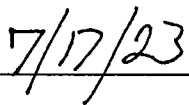
100 Wilshire Dr., Troy, MI

5:00 PM

16. Adjournment

7:41 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 January 23, 2023, and approved at the Board's Regular February 27, 2023 Board Meeting, and that proper notice of the regular public Board Meeting was given to the public pursuant to the provisions of the open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended.

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Ramone Crowe, Jr.

Date

Board Secretary