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**Michigan Virtual Charter Academy  
Board of Directors Meeting Agenda  
Monday – January 27, 2025  
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/87131404371>

**1. Call to Order**

Time: 6:04 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

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

Other Attendees:

Randy Rodriguez-MVCA, Rachel Forgo-MVCA, Nick Hoffman-MVCA, Justin Malama-MVCA, Ann VanderLaan-Clark Hill, Todd McIntire-Stride K12, Jennifer Charles-Stride K12, Holly Stefanski-Stefanski Accounting and Advising Services, LLC., Josh Weld-Wallis via zoom-MVCA, Tom Travia via zoom-Stride K12, Mark Weinberg via zoom-Hazel Park

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

Head of School, Randy Rodriguez, shared that January is Board Appreciation Month. Mr. Rodriguez noted in the 6 ½ years he has been at MVCA, MVCA has a strong strategic plan, sustainability plan, and Playbook, which none could have been achieved without the board of directors. Mr. Rodriguez expressed his enjoyment working with the board and sharing life with them. He thanked the board members for all the work they do.

4. Approval of Agenda

**Motion: Director Colin Houston moved to approve the agenda.**

**Second: Director Ramone Crowe Jr.**

**Motion unanimously approved**

5. Approval of December 16, 2024 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

**Motion: Director Scott Stangeland moved to approve December 16, 2024 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting.**

**Second: Director Ramone Crowe Jr.**

**Motion unanimously approved**

6. Finance Report

Mr. Tom Travia presented the November and December finance reports.

- a. Motion to accept the November finance report

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

**Second: Director Aaron Walker**

**Motion unanimously approved**

- b. Motion to approve December K12 and non-K12 invoices of \$3,123,433.22

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**Second: Director Colin Houston**

**Motion unanimously approved**

- c. Motion to accept the December finance report

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

**Second: Director Ramone Crowe Jr.**

**Motion unanimously approved**

7. Head of School Report

- a. Middle School Playbook Presentation

Middle School Principal, Nick Hoffman, presented one of the middle school's priorities from the Playbook. This priority, from the Academic Achievement and Growth chapter, focuses on their Instructional Mapping Plan. Mr. Hoffman shared the plan's purpose, preparation, process, practical application, and progress monitoring. He noted that teachers have really embraced the instructional mapping plan and its implementation. Mr. Hoffman expressed the ultimate priority is students and shared a story about a middle school student and the new middle school "citizenship award" in his honor.

## 8. New Business

- a. Motion to approve board resolution accepting the Stride K12 computer bid for the Spring 2025 State Testing Cycle in the amount of \$230,291.00 for MVCA's rental of computers and related equipment and the purchase of on-site technical support services for student WIDA and State of Michigan testing from Stride and authorizing the Board President to execute the quote/agreement

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**Second: Director Scott Stangeland**

**Motion unanimously approved**

- b. Motion to approve Gizmos Software in the amount of \$9,104.40

Note: Legal review was completed in October.

**Motion: Director Scott Stangeland moved to approve Gizmos Software in the amount of \$9,104.40.**

**Second: Director Ramone Crowe Jr.**

**Motion unanimously approved**

- c. Motion to approve Dual Credit Enrollment Agreement between Michigan Virtual Charter Academy and Henry Ford College pending final legal review and authorize the Board President, Marva Foster, to sign same

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**Second: Director Aaron Walker**

**Motion unanimously approved**

- d. Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Kent ISD for MIPSE (PowerSchool) Student Information System for the estimated amount of \$15,896.04 and authorize the Board President, Marva Foster, to sign same

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**Second: Director Aaron Walker**

**Motion unanimously approved**

**9. Discussion Items**

a. Title IX Update

Board Legal Counsel, Ann VanderLaan, shared an update that the 2020 Title IX regulations are back in place. At the next board meeting, updates will be made to the MVCA handbook and board policies.

b. ICE Enforcement

Board Legal Counsel, Ann VanderLaan, noted that Clark Hill firm is putting on a webinar and several immigration attorneys in D.C. are working on this. Mrs. VanderLaan said she will send the ICE raid checklist to the board.

**10. Authorizer Comments and Updates**

Mr. Mark Weinberg also noted the current ICE happenings and that all children are entitled to an education. Mr. Weinberg received a resume for a potential board member and explained the next steps in the process for the board of directors. This includes nomination of potential member. The nominee will need to complete an application and background check as well as approved by the Hazel Park school board. Furthermore, Mr. Weinberg noted that a few bills were passed in Michigan but none that will be detrimental to schools at this time. He encouraged continued advocacy for charter schools.

**11. K12 Comments and Updates**

Mr. Todd McIntire expressed his appreciation for the board's time and energy. Mr. McIntire shared that K12 has been in the process of transitioning to PowerSchool and that PowerSchool has a legal responsibility to take action against their breach. K12 will assist as needed and has also increased their own security efforts. Mr. McIntire shared that a big focus for K12 is finding ways to increase family flexibility. K12 is expanding the Flex Program for students while maintaining performance. They are continuing engagement efforts and finding ways for virtual families to feel connected.

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

None

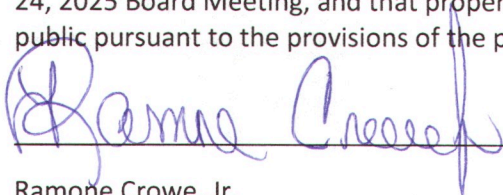
**13. Reminder of Next Board Meeting**

February 24, 2025  
Hazel Park Schools  
6:00 PM

**14. Adjournment**

7:06 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 27, 2025, and approved at the Board's Regular February 24, 2025 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

2/24/25  
Date