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**Michigan Virtual Charter Academy
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Agenda
Monday – April 27th, 2026
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/86840782558?from=addon>

1. Call to Order

Time: 6:02 p.m.

2. Roll Call

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

Absent: Colin Houston, Jacki Golden Lane

Other Attendees:

Randy Rodriguez-MVCA (Virtual), Josh Weld-Wallis-MVCA, Derek Schult -Stride K12 (Virtual), Ann VanderLaan-Clark Hill, Todd McIntire- Stride K12, Lisa Zyriek- Stride K12 (Virtual). Sarah Chaar -MVCA (Virtual), Laura VanDuyn-MVCA, Emilia McGuckin – MVCA.

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

None

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Director Ramone Crowe Jr. moved to approve the agenda.

Second: Director Aaron Walker.

Motion unanimously approved.

5. **Approval of March 23rd, 2026 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting**

Motion: Director Ramone Crowe Jr. moved to approve March 23rd, 2026 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting.

Second: Director Aaron Walker.

Motion unanimously approved.

6. **Finance Report**

Mr. Derek Schult presented the March finance report.

- a. Motion to approve the March K12 and non-K12 invoices of \$2,292,594.88

Motion: Director Scott Stangeland moved to approve the March K12 and non-K12 invoices of \$2,292,594.88

Second: Director Aaron Walker.

Motion unanimously approved

- b. Motion to accept the March finance report

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

Second: Director Ramone Crowe Jr.

Motion unanimously accepted

7. **Head of School Report**

AI in the Classroom Presentation – Emilia McCuckin; Lead Electives Instructor

Emilia McCuckin, Lead Elective Instructor, presented on MVCA's approach to implementing AI in a thoughtful, ethical, and future-focused manner. She emphasized that AI is already widely used by students, often without guidance, and is impacting far more than writing and communication. MVCA's strategy is centered on three key priorities: ensuring staff readiness, preparing students to use AI responsibly, and promoting equity and access for all learners.

At the high school level, MVCA is actively embracing AI and taking a proactive leadership approach rather than reacting to emerging trends. The school is building staff capacity through professional development focused on ethical use and progressing toward understanding AI policy development.

8. **New Business**

- a. Motion to approve the 2026-2027 MVCA School Calendar

Motion: Director Ramone Crowe Jr. moved to approve the 2026-2027 MVCA School Calendar.

Second: Director Scott Stangeland.

Motion unanimously approved.

- b. Motion to approve Aviation Career Exploration (ACE) Summer Program 2026

Motion: Director Ramone Crowe Jr. moved to approve the Aviation Career Exploration (ACE) Summer Program 2026.

Second: Director Scott Stangeland.

Motion unanimously approved

(Director Crowe Abstains due to conflict of interest)

- c. Motion to approve the board resolution maintaining the MVCA enrollment cap of 4,000 students for the 2026-2027 school year with the attached grade/band cap adjustments.

Motion: Director Aaron Walker moved to approve maintaining the MVCA enrollment cap of 4,000 students for the 2026-2027 school year with the attached grade/band cap adjustments.

Second: Director Monique Lake

Motion unanimously approved

- d. Motion to approve Learning A-Z software renewal in the amount of \$2,784.60

Motion: Director Scott Stangeland moved to approve Learning A-Z software renewal in the amount of \$2,784.60

Second: Director Aaron Walker.

Motion unanimously approved

- e. Motion to approve Statement of Work for Early College Programs Online Courses Between the Board of Trustees of Western Michigan University and Michigan Virtual Charter Academy for the 2026-2027 academic school year, and authorize the Board President to sign the same.

Motion: Director Aaron Walker moved to approve Statement of Work for Early College Programs Online Courses Between the Board of Trustees of Western Michigan University and Michigan Virtual Charter Academy for the 2026-2027 academic school year, and authorize the Board President to sign the same

Second: Director Monique Lake.

Motion unanimously approved

9. Authorizer Comments and Updates

10. K12 Comments and Updates

Mr. Todd McIntire -Stride K12

Re-registration continues to be a key focus right now. At the state level, Michigan lawmakers are actively working on the FY 2026–27 School Aid Budget, which includes a proposed \$250 increase in the per-pupil foundation allowance (bringing it to \$10,300). The Michigan House of Representatives has already passed the proposal, and it is now waiting on the Michigan Senate.

It's encouraging to see strong support from House leadership for funding that benefits all students.

Looking ahead, new state requirements around curriculum and literacy—especially the Science of Literacy, are expected to roll out in May/June 2026. K12 Inc. is already using curriculum aligned to these expectations, and Michigan has recently begun a formal approval process for these materials, which puts us in a strong position moving forward.

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

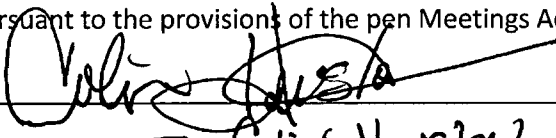
12. Reminder of Next Board Meeting

May 18, 2026
Hazel Park Schools
6:00 PM

13. Adjournment

7:40 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 April 27, 2026, and approved at the Board's Regular May 18, 2026 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.



Acting Board Secretary Ramone Crowe, Jr. Colin Houston Date 5-18-26