

**Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy
Regular Meeting
Approved Minutes**

Date: November 8, 2021

Time: 6:00 PM

**Place: Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy
730 W. Maple Street, Lansing, Michigan 48906**

I. Meeting Called to Order at 6:01 p.m. by Robert Macomber.

II. Roll Call

Dec 15, 2021

	Present	Location if virtual	Absent
Nicholas Benavides	X		
Nettavia Curry	X	Delta Twp. (Medical)	
Leigha Faith	X	Ingham Twp. (Medical)	
Robert Macomber	X		
Versey Williams	X		

Others Present:

CS Partners: Lindsay Campeau, Ticheal Jones, Lauri McCollum, Lisa Weir

Mid-Michigan Leadership Staff: Lacey James

Other: Casey Roth, Joseph Thienes

III. Public Comment (*agenda items only*)

- None

IV. Approval of Agenda

**Motion by Nicholas Benavides, seconded by Versey Williams to approve the agenda.
Unanimously carried by those present.**

V. Presentation of 2020-2021 Financial Audit

Cassey Roth of Maner Costerisan presented the 2020-2021 Financial Audit. Maner Costerisan had an unmodified opinion. There was a Management Letter presented due to the excess food service funds.

VI. Approval of Minutes

a. October 11, 2021

- **Motion by Versey Williams seconded by Leigha Faith to approve the October 11, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes. Unanimously carried by those present.**

VII. Board Correspondence

a. Charter Contract Amendment Email from Jennifer Cook

The email that Jennifer Cook sent was reviewed. Possible Charter Contract Amendment requests for the 2022-2023 School Year will be discussed at the December meeting.

b. CS Partners Teacher Retention Response

Lindsay Campeau reviewed the Teacher Retention Response to the Board. Two items to note: the teachers that left were newer members of the staff and none of them had concern about COVID.

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c. CS Partners Teacher Certification Response

Lindsay Campeau reviewed the Teacher Certification Response.

d. RJM Response to Board

Rob Macomber reviewed his response to Dr. Williams letter to the Board that was presented at the October meeting.

The Board will discuss the possibility of a hybrid Self-Managed / ESP agreement during reauthorization. Since the attorney will be reviewing the ESP agreement as part of the reauthorization package.

Joe Thienes announced that CMU will be extending the MMLA Charter Contract for two-years.

VIII. Committee Reports

a. Academic – no report

b. Building – no report

c. Cultural

A parent who is also part of the PTO expressed that the committee would like to send students on field trips outside of the Lansing community so they can be exposed to different people and cultures.

d. Finance

e. 9th Grade/High School Expansion

CMU has extended an offer of support to assist with and provide guidance if MMLA would like to pursue a high school expansion.

f. Parent Involvement

Reviewed their committee minutes and reported that they would like to have an Honor Roll at the school as well as having mandatory parental volunteerism. Lauri McCollum reminded the Committee that any changes to the Student Handbook would need to be reviewed by CS Partners to ensure that changes are within the law.

Mr. James will be revisiting the bullying policy with faculty and staff.

IX. CS Partners Report

a. Monthly Report

Dr. Weir reviewed the CSP Report. Dr. Ticheal Jones was introduced as the Vice President of School Performance.

b. School Leader Report

Mr. James reviewed his report. He noted that ESSER 3 funds will be allocated for school-wide improvements. The issues with Dean transportation are still ongoing.

c. Financial Report

Dr. Weir reviewed the October financial report.

X. Reauthorization

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Removed from agenda due to two year extension on Charter Contract.

XI. New Business

a. Acceptance of 2020-2021 Financial Audit

- **Motion by Nicholas Benavides seconded by Nettavia Curry to accept the 2020-2021 Financial Audit. Unanimously carried by those present.**

XII. Old Business

a. Review and Approval of Coat of Many Colors Agreement

There were no questions from the Board after they reviewed the agreement.

- **Motion by Versey Williams seconded by Nicholas Benavides to approve the Coat of Many Colors Agreement. Unanimously carried by those present.**

XIII. Authorizer Report

CMU is holding a Board development seminar on ESSER 2 funds. CMU will have a podcast relating to Special Education.

Joe Thienes reviewed the Board member expiration dates and wanted to remind the Board that when they are up for renewal they will first be asked if they would like to continue to serve on the Board, then they must receive a nomination from the other Board members before the application is sent to CMU.

XIV. Extended Public Comment (non-agenda items)

- None

Our Next Board Meeting is December 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

XV. Adjournment:


- **Motion by Nicholas Benavides, seconded by Versey Williams that the Meeting be adjourned at 8:05 p.m. Unanimously carried by those present.**

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted,

Lauri McCollum - Covid
Recording Secretary

November 18, 2021
Date

Approved by the Board of Directors at its December meeting.


Board Secretary
Board President

Dec 15, 2021
Date

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