



Regular Board of Directors Meeting

Date: October 29, 2025
Time: 12:00 PM
Location: Delta College Downtown Saginaw Center
319 E. Genesee Ave. Saginaw, MI 48607

A. Call to Order

B. Roll Call

Dr. Elsa Olvera, President	<input type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent
Ty Mier, Vice-President	<input type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent
Becky Gerzseny, Treasurer	<input type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent
Carrie Schultz, Member	<input type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent
Mike Jury, Member	<input type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent
Dr. Carmen Stricker	<input type="radio"/> Present	<input type="radio"/> Absent

Other Attendees:

Matthew Hyatt, School Leader	Dr. Matthew Cawood, GVSU
Tim Ostrom, CAF	Mitchell Piper, Legal Counsel
Chris Gray, CAF	Joe Kaplan, CAF
Steven Killey, CAF	Monica Hernandez-Alaniz
Jeff Maxwell, GVSU	Les Sheldon, CS Partners (online)

C. Official welcome of Monica Hernandez-Alaniz to the SCA Board of Directors.

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

E. Mission Statement: The Saginaw Covenant Academy (SCA) provides disengaged, dropout youth, ages 15-22 years, hope and the opportunity to earn their high school diploma. SCA believes that all students are valuable members of our community. SCA students will be guided by a caring, compassionate staff that will provide students with an academic foundation guiding them to post-secondary careers, training and college. SCA believes providing this foundation for our youth will prevent youth homelessness and incarceration. This will be done with absolute respect and unconditional love while offering hope and encouragement to all students.

F. Approval of Agenda

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

G. Standard Business

- a. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes from August 27, 2025.

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

- b. Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes from September 17, 2025.

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

- c. School Report - Matthew Hyatt & Chris Gray

- i. Mission Accomplishments
- ii. Academic Progress Updates
- iii. Building Project - Tim Ostrom

- d. Finance Update - Steven Killey / Les Sheldon

- e. Legal Update - Mitchell Piper

- f. GVSU - Dr. Matthew Cawood

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- g. CAF Update - Joe Kaplan

H. Old Business

- a. Independent Educational Consultant - Memo to GVSU Update
- b. Approval of SCA Student Handbook 2025-26

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

New Business

- a. Section 31aa per pupil funding for FY 26.

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

- b. Approval - Fall 2025 Board Policy Updates from National Charter School Institute.

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

I. Discussion

J. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

K. Reminder for Next Board Meeting
 Regular Board Meeting: December 17, 2025

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L. Adjournment:

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Ayes:	Opposed:

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