



Regular Board of Directors Meeting

Date: April 29, 2026
 Time: 12:00 PM
 Location: Delta College Downtown Saginaw Center
 319 E. Genesee Ave. Saginaw, MI 48607

Before the meeting, Dr. Matt Cawood administered the Oath of Office to Dr. Elsa Olvera, reaffirming her commitment for another three-year term.

A. Call to Order

B. Roll Call

Dr. Elsa Olvera, President	oPresent	oAbsent
Ty Mier, Vice-President	oPresent	oAbsent
Becky Gerzsény, Treasurer	oPresent	oAbsent
Carrie Schultz, Member	oPresent	oAbsent
Mike Jury, Secretary	oPresent	oAbsent
Dr. Carmen Stricker, Member	oPresent	oAbsent
Monica Hernandez-Alaniz, Member	oPresent	oAbsent

Other Attendees:

Matthew Hyatt, School Leader	Dr. Matthew Cawood, GVSU
Tim Ostrom, CAF	Jeff Maxwell, GVSU
Chris Gray, CAF	Mitchell Piper, Legal Counsel
Steven Killey, CAF	Joe Kaplan, CAF
Temelka Doster, SCA	Les Sheldon, Partner Solutions

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

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D. 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.

E. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda.

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

F. Standard Business

- a. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes from February 25, 2026.

Motion to approve the minutes from the February 25, 2026 meeting.

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

- b. School Report - Matthew Hyatt & Chris Gray

- i. Mission Accomplishments
- ii. Academic Progress Updates
- iii. CAF - Tim Ostom
 1. Building Project Update
 2. Driver's Training

- c. Finance Update - Les Sheldon

- d. Legal Update - Mitchell Piper

- e. GVSU - Dr. Matthew Cawood

G. Old Business

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H. New Business

a. Request for funds to furnish new school addition.

Motion to approve the reallocation of \$55,000 from the existing budget and to allocate an additional \$70,000, bringing the total funding to \$125,000, necessary to furnish the new addition.

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

b. Driver's Training Incentive Program.

Motion to approve the incentive program and allocate funding (\$50K) to provide SCA students with the opportunity to participate in a driver's education program.

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

c. Number of Seats per Grade Offered in the 2026-27 School Year.

Motion to approve 100 seats for each grade level from 9 through 12, totaling 400 students, for the 2026-27 school year.

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

d. Approval of Admission Policy and Criteria for the 2026-27 School.

Motion to accept the Saginaw Covenant Academy Enrollment and Application of Pupils Policy as presented.

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

e. **NCSI Spring 2026 Board Policies Update.**

Motion to accept the NCSI Spring 2026 Board Policies Update as presented.

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed:

I. **Discussion**

J. **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

K. **Reminder for Next Board Meeting**
Regular Board Meeting: June 3, 2026 12:00 PM

L. **Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn meeting.

Motion:	Support:
Ayes:	Opposed: