

Creative Montessori Academy Board of Directors - Regular Meeting

MISSION STATEMENT: Creative Montessori Academy is a diverse learning environment that cultivates innovative education through partnership with families and community where all students experience opportunities to maximize their potential for leadership and service in a global society.

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Date: May 28, 2025

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: Creative Montessori Academy, 12701 McCann Street, Southgate, MI 48195

1. Call to order

Don Treadwell called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Board Members	Present	Absent
Tammy Duty		X
Don Treadwell	X	
Jessica Shoemaker	X	
Yolanda Rayford	X	
VACANT		

OTHERS PRESENT

Kristen Crawford (Choice Schools), Kerri Barrett (Choice Schools), Lindsay Defenthaler (Choice Schools), Brian Beaudrie (Choice Schools), Darren Terry (Choice Schools), Corey Merante (CMU)

3. Citizens' Comments on Agenda Items Only

This public comment section is reserved for items on the meeting agenda. Board members should not respond to audience member comments or questions. Comments should be limited to three minutes.

4. CMA EPR Presentation – Laura Stabler

5. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Jessica Shoemaker and supported by Yolanda Rayford to approve the agenda, as amended.

Aye 3 Nay 0 Motion Approved

6. Correspondence

A. CMU - Board Member Appointment/Vacancy

Corey Merante presented.

7. Approval of the April 29, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Yolanda Rayford and supported by Jessica Shoemaker to approve the April 29, 2025 board meeting minutes, as amended.

Aye 3 Nay 0 Motion Approved

8. Old Business:

A. Building Update (Discussion)

Brian Beaudrie presented.

9. New Business:

<i>Item</i>	<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Who</i>	<i>Materials</i>
A. Monthly Unaudited Financial Report – April 2025	Discussion/Approval	Brian Beaudrie	
B. Audit Engagement Letter	Discussion/Approval	Brian Beaudrie	
C. 2025-2026 Draft budget (Discussion)	Discussion	Brian Beaudrie	
D. 2025-2026 School Calendar Amendment	Discussion/Approval	Crawford/Defenthaler	
E. Spring - Board Policy Update	Discussion		

F. 2025-2026 Board Meeting Calendar	Discussion/Approval		
G. Parent Advisory Committee Representative	Discussion/Approval		
H. MHSAA Membership Resolution	Discussion/Approval		
I. Strategic Planning	Discussion		
J. Resolution			

9.A. Monthly Unaudited Financial Report – April 2025 **(Motion)**

It was moved by Jessica Shoemaker and supported by Yolanda Rayford to accept the April 2025 Monthly Financial Report, pending audit.

Aye 3 Nay 0 - Motion Approved

9.B. Audit Engagement Letter **(Motion)**

It was moved by Yolanda Rayford and supported by Jessica Shoemaker to approve the Audit Engagement Letter.

Aye 3 Nay 0 - Motion Approved

9.D. 2025-2026 School Calendar Amendment **(Motion)**

It was moved by Jessica Shoemaker and supported by Yolanda Rayford to approve the 2025-2026 School Calendar Amendment.

Aye 3 Nay 0 - Motion Approved

9.F. 2025- 2026 Board Meeting Calendar **(Motion)**

It was moved by Jessica Shoemaker and supported by Yolanda Rayford to approve the 2025- 2026 Board Meeting Calendar.

Aye 3 Nay 0 - Motion Approved

9.G. Parent Advisory Committee Representative **(Motion)**

It was moved by Yolanda Rayford and supported by Jessica Shoemaker to approve the Parent Advisory Committee Representative Cathy Csercse.

Aye 3 Nay 0 - Motion Approved

9.H. MHSAA Membership Resolution **(Motion)**

It was moved by Yolanda Rayford and supported by Jessica Shoemaker to approve the MHSAA Membership Resolution.

Aye 3 Nay 0 - Motion Approved

9. J. Corrective Action Plan Resolution

It was moved by Yolanda Rayford and supported by Jessica Shoemaker to approve the Corrective Action Plan Resolution.

Aye 3 Nay 0 - Motion Approved

10. Management Reports

A. School Leader Report

Lindsay Defenthaler presented.

B. Superintendent Report

Kristen Crawford presented.

Kerri Barrett presented the Communications/Marketing update.

11. Central Michigan University Report:

Corey Merante reported.

12. Public Comment

None

13. Closed Session

None

14. Confirmation of Next Board Meeting Date: Regular Board Meeting
June 25, 2025, 6:00 pm.

Confirmed

15. Adjournment

It was moved by Yolanda Rayford and supported by Jessica Shoemaker to
adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Aye 3 Nay 0 - Motion Approved

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the forgoing approved minutes of the May 28, 2025 Regular Meeting are accurate and correct.

Jessica Shoemaker

Jessica Shoemaker, Board Secretary

May 28, 2025

Individuals wishing to address the Board of Directors under public comment are requested to sign in with the Board Secretary prior to the start of the meeting.

Individual comments are limited to no more than three (3) minutes each and a total time allowance not to exceed thirty (30) minutes. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time- effective manner.

Complaints or concerns regarding Board members or school employees associated with the Academy shall first be addressed in writing and delivered to the Board President at least five (5) days prior to the Board meeting or such complaints or concerns shall not be heard by the Board. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner.

Proposed minutes of this meeting will be available for public inspection at the Creative Montessori Academy Office of the Administration, located at 12701 McCann Street, Southgate, MI 48195, eight (8) business days after the meeting. Approved minutes are available within five (5) business days after the meeting at which they are approved (in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Public Act 267.)