



**RCMA Regular School Board Meeting  
and Meeting of the School Board of Managers of RCMA Charter Schools, LL.  
UF/IFAS Southwest Florida Research and Education Center  
Immokalee, FL  
2:30PM – 4:00PM**

Virtual:

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**MINUTES**

<b>Attendance</b>				
	<b>Board Members-At-Large</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Staff Present In-Person</b>
1.	Dowling, Aedan J.	In-person		Brown, Juana
2.	Hightower, Sandra	Online		Garcia, Isabel
3.	Miles, Linda A.	In-person		Johnson, Ashley
4.	Rollason, Barbara Mainster	In-person		Maldonado, Elizabeth
5.	Salustro, Larry	In-person		Moorman, Gloria
6.	Vallejo, Ansberto	Online		Olson, Scott
7.	Weisinger, Jaime	In-person		Sepulveda, Catalina
				Torres, Amenda
				Vega, Kathy
				Villanueva, Lourdes
				Quintero, Zulaika
<b>School Board Parent Representatives</b>				
1.	Petra Hernandez		X	<i>Immokalee Community Academy</i>
2.	Rosalinda Rosales Ortiz	Online		<i>Mulberry Community Academy</i>
3.	Graciela Daniel		X	<i>Wimauma Community Academy</i>
<b>Guests Present/Online</b>				
1.	Calderon, Yesenia	Online		Note: nominated board member
2.	Harper-Larsen, Kiley	In-person		Note: nominated board member
3.	Lopez, Joseph A. "Tony"	Online		Note: nominated board member
4.	Bustamante, Monique, CPA	In-person		Charter School Auditor - <i>GSMCPAS</i>
5.	De Armas, Pedro, CPA	In-person		Charter School Auditor - <i>GSMCPAS</i>

**1) Meeting Opening**

**a. Roll Call**

The roll call was conducted by Elizabeth Maldonado. A quorum was reached.

**b. Call to Order/Opening Remarks**

Linda A. Miles, President, called the meeting to order. The meeting began at 3:13 p.m.

**c. Call For Public Comment**

Linda A. Miles made a call for public comment. No public comments were made.

**d. Changes to the Agenda**

Larry Salustro pulled items 8.h. – 8.j. Charter Academy Audits under New Business were requested to be moved up on the agenda for discussion after the consent agenda approval.

**2) Consent Agenda – Meeting Minutes**

**a. School Board Meeting Minutes – July 2024**

**3) Consent Agenda – Academic**

**a. Charter Academic Dashboards**

**i. Immokalee Community Academy**

- ii. Wimauma Community Academy
- iii. Mulberry Community Academy
- b. Immokalee Community Academy Out-of-Field Teachers
- c. Mulberry Community Academy Out-of-Field Teachers
- d. Wimauma Community Academy Out-of-Field Teachers

**4) Consent Agenda – Finance**

- a. Immokalee Community Academy Financial Statement
- b. 2024-2025 Immokalee Community Academy Budget
- c. 2024-2025 Immokalee Community Academy Lease Agreement
- d. Mulberry Community Academy Financial Statement
- e. 2024-2025 Mulberry Community Academy Budget
- f. 2024-2025 Mulberry Community Academy Lease Agreement
- g. Wimauma Community Academy Financial Statement
- h. 2024-2025 Wimauma Community Academy Budget
- i. 2024-2025 Wimauma Community Academy Lease Agreement

**5) Consent Agenda Approval**

- a. Approval of the Full Consent Agenda  
Linda A. Miles asked if there was any interest in withdrawing Consent Agenda items. None were noted besides the change of order in the agenda.

***Motion: Sandra Hightower made a motion to approve the Full Consent Agenda. Barbara Mainster Rollason seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.***

**6) New Business - Action**

- a. 2023-2024 Immokalee Community Academy Audit  
Larry Salustro presented the Charter Academy Auditors. Monique Bustamante and Pedro De Armas offered a presentation on the 2023-2024 ICA Audit. Board members commented, and a discussion ensued.

***Motion: Barbara Mainster Rollason made a motion to approve 2023-2024 Immokalee Community Academy Audit. Jaime Weisinger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.***

- b. 2023-2024 Wimauma Community Academy Audit  
Monique Bustamante and Pedro De Armas presented on the 2023-2024 WCA Audit. Board members commented, and a discussion ensued.

***Motion: Jaime Weisinger made a motion to approve 2023-2024 Wimauma Community Academy Audit. Sandra Hightower seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.***

- c. 2023-2024 Mulberry Community Academy Audit  
Monique Bustamante and Pedro De Armas presented on the 2023-2024 MCA Audit. Board members commented on the expenditures and allocation recommendations, and a discussion ensued.

***Motion: Sandra Hightower made a motion to approve 2023-2024 Mulberry Community Academy Audit. Jaime Weisinger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.***

**7) Leadership Report**

- a. Director of Charter Schools  
Juana Brown covered various report topics, highlighting the new Principal at Wimauma Community Academy (WCA). Cristina Vega, WCA Principal, shared a brief introduction and the excitement of being part of RCMA.
- b. Charter Academy Principals

The newly appointed Principal, Cristina Vega, delivered a brief overview of Wimauma Community Academy's academic progress, highlighting key areas, including an extensive list of recent donations following Hurricane Milton.

Zulaika Quintero provided an overview of Immokalee Community Academy's academic dashboard and discussed various topics, including a list of out-of-field teachers and K-5 teacher vacancies. A Recruitment Manager job position has been posted to help support this area of concern. The Principal discussed a one-time "thank-you" from The Florida School Recognition Program by asking for an endorsement of the preferred School Advisory Committee (SAC) plan and approve the distribution to the Immokalee Community Academy team.

***Motion: Jaime Weisinger made a motion to approve the endorsement of the preferred Immokalee Community Academy School Advisory Committee (SAC) plan and approve the distribution to the Immokalee Community Academy team provided by The Florida School Recognition Program. Barbara Mainster Rollason seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.***

Dani Higgins introduced the Wimauma School Board Parent Representative, Rosalinda Rosales Ortiz. The Principal provided an overview of Mulberry Community Academy's academic dashboard, discussing various topics, including

- c. SAC Presidents  
No reports were shared.

#### **8) Old Business**

- a. Other  
None.

#### **9) New Business**

- a. 2024-2026 Nominating Committee Slate  
Linda A. Miles presented the Charter School nominating slate recommended to the RCMA Board of Directors. Kiley Harper-Larsen was nominated on the floor. There was no opposition.

***Motion: Barbara Mainster Rollason made a motion to approve the 2024-2026 Nominating Committee Slate as presented. Larry Salustro seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.***

- b. Certificate of Corporate Resolutions of RCMA, Inc. - Immokalee Community Academy

***Motion: Larry Salustro made a motion to approve the Certificate of Corporate Resolutions of RCMA, Inc. for Immokalee Community Academy as presented. Sandra Hightower seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.***

- c. Certificate of Corporate Resolutions of RCMA, Inc. - Wimauma Community Academy

***Motion: Larry Salustro made a motion to approve the Certificate of Corporate Resolutions of RCMA, Inc. for Wimauma Community Academy as presented. Sandra Hightower seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.***

- d. Certificate of Corporate Resolutions of RCMA Charter Schools, LLC - Immokalee Community Academy

***Motion: Larry Salustro made a motion to approve the Certificate of Corporate Resolutions of RCMA Charter Schools, LLC for Immokalee Community Academy as presented. Sandra Hightower seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.***

- e. Certificate of Corporate Resolutions of RCMA Charter Schools, LLC - Wimauma Community Academy

***Motion: Larry Salustro made a motion to approve the Certificate of Corporate Resolutions of RCMA Charter Schools, LLC for Wimauma Community Academy as presented. Sandra Hightower seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.***

- f. Shared Service Agreement

Linda A. Miles presented the Shared Service Agreement. Board members commented regarding an amendment to the document, and a discussion ensued.

***Motion: Barbara Mainster Rollason made a motion to approve the Shared Service Agreement as presented. Sandra Hightower seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.***

- g. 2023-2024 Immokalee Community Academy Audit  
See item 6.a.
- h. 2023-2024 Wimauma Community Academy Audit  
See item 6.b.
- i. 2023-2024 Mulberry Community Academy Audit  
See item 6.c.
- j. Other  
None.

#### **10) General Discussion**

- a. Mulberry Charter Capital Campaign Update  
Previously mentioned at the RCMA Board of Directors meeting. No further discussion.
- b. Lake Trafford Tour  
Linda shared an invitation to tour the Lake Trafford Campus after the School Board meeting on 10.21.2024.
- c. Other  
None.

#### **11) Closing**

- a. Adjournment  
The school board meeting was adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Elizabeth Maldonado*  
Elizabeth Maldonado  
Executive Administrative Manager