

Navigating Your Role

As A New Board Member

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HISTORY

- Origin and Purpose
- Impact

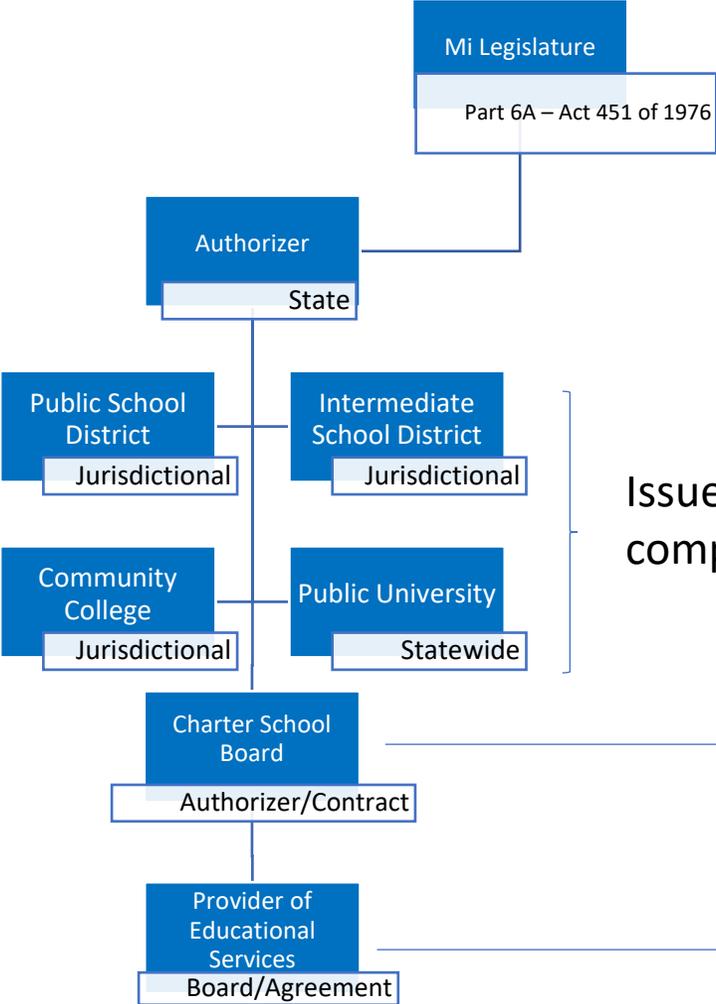


MISSION AND GOALS

- Knowing the Mission
- Supporting the Mission
- Understanding Goals



Governance Structure



- Public School Academies operate under a charter contract
- They are governed by an independent Board of Directors
- They are bound by Michigan’s Revised School Code

Issues contract and oversees Board’s compliance to it

Mission, vision, policy, strategic direction (including goals) and oversight

Implements policy and manages operations – management agreement defines operational oversight

Alignment

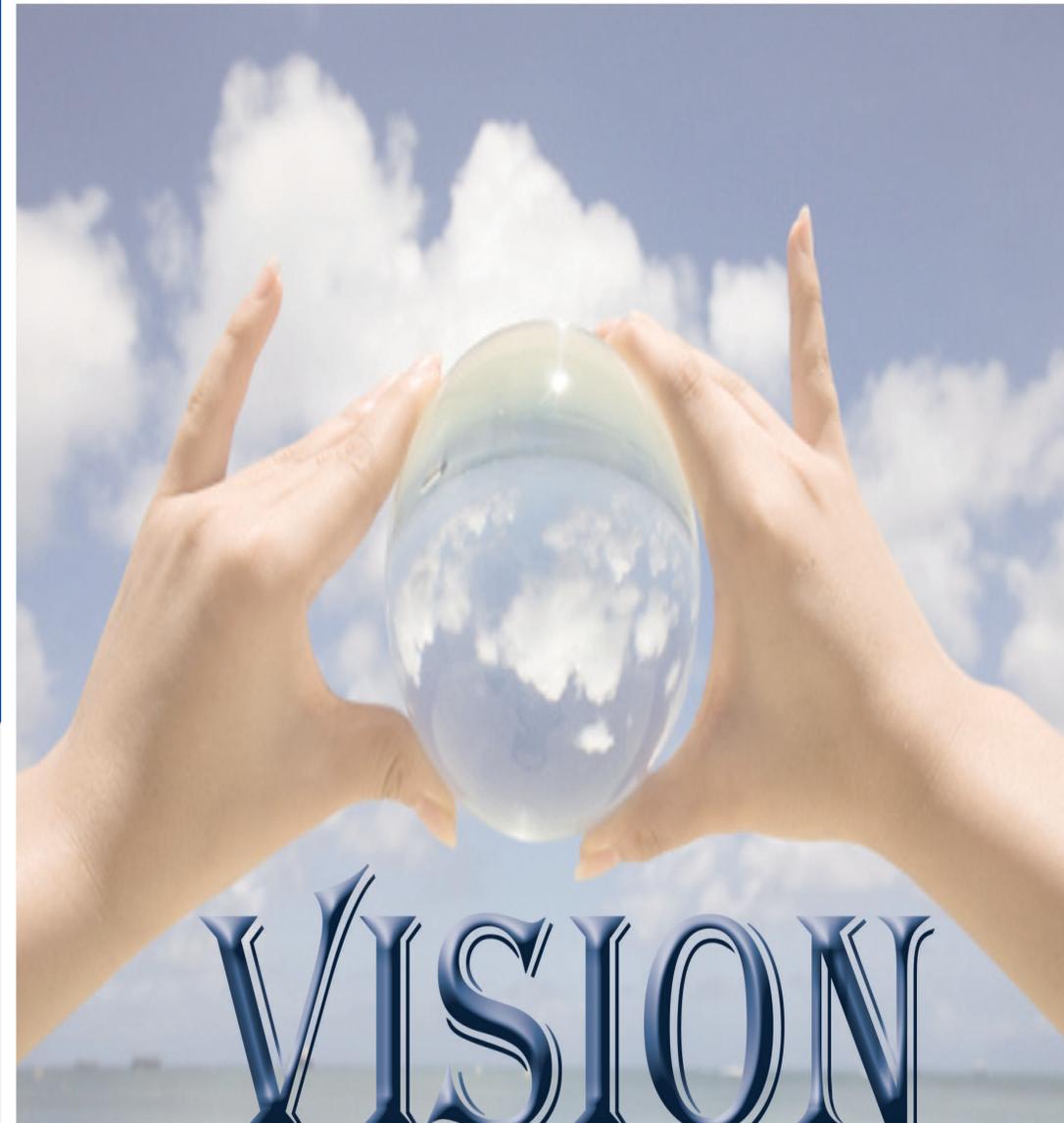
CONTRACTS

- Uniquely Customized
- Accountability Document
- Performance Expectations
- Authorized and Reauthorized



The Relationships

- ✓ Three groups = One Vision
- ✓ Alignment of structure, content and mission
- ✓ Role clarity is essential for success



Putting It Into Practice

- ✓ History: Share one story from the school's origin with your community.
- ✓ Mission and Goal: Use the mission statement as a filter: "Does this decision align with our mission?"
- ✓ Structure: Clarify roles at your next board meeting (what is the board's responsibility vs the management team's responsibilities, for example?).
- ✓ Contracts: Review one section of the charter contract together as a board each quarter.
- ✓ Relationships: Schedule a touchpoint with your authorizer or school leader to strengthen communication.

THANK YOU!



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