

APPROVED



## The Anchor School

# Minutes

## Academic Committee Meeting

---

### **Date and Time**

Wednesday March 12, 2025 at 8:00 PM

### **Location**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7641521775?pwd=U05NSDBWN3FEQmQ1RFdSWEIQbDBVQT0>

Meeting ID: 764 152 1775

Passcode: TAS

---

### **Committee Members Present**

J. Burton, N. LeBlanc (remote), S. Birch (remote)

### **Committee Members Absent**

E. Desprez Isbell

### **Committee Members who arrived after the meeting opened**

J. Burton

### **Guests Present**

J. Pinto Taylor (remote), M. Felts (remote)

---

## **I. Opening Items**

**A.**

## **Record Attendance**

### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

N. LeBlanc called a meeting of the Academic Achievement Committee of The Anchor School to order on Wednesday Mar 12, 2025 at 8:11 PM.

### **C. Approve Minutes**

S. Birch made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Committee Meeting on 02-12-25.

N. LeBlanc seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **II. Academic Achievement**

### **A. Academic Data Review**

- Enrollment continued to grow steadily
- Consistent, proactive comms and outreach has been the biggest driver of enrollment growth and retainment

### **B. Academic Assessment Calendar**

A lot of testing happening in the next 6-8 weeks

### **C. Academic Calendar for SY25-26**

- One change since last review: Start date moved to August 4, ending on June 4
- The AC will recommended updated calendar for board adoption in March

### **D. Bell Schedule Options for SY25-26**

- Hybrid bell schedule is the preferred schedule that TAS leadership will move forward with
- No Board vote needed; Dr. PT will share this update in his upcoming ED report

J. Burton arrived.

## **III. Academic Monitoring Updates**

### **A. Review FTE Data for Submission (GaDOE)**

- We're aware of the March 31 data upload deadline
- Ms. Griffith will attend to this with focus on the next few weeks

#### **IV. Academic Policy Items**

##### **A. Promotion Policy Item**

- TAS leadership wants to create a promotion policy to create clarity around receiving/advancing with high school credits in middle school
- Item for information, more research needed
- Dr. PT will reach out to Emily to see if she can serve as a Board POC for research
- Seeking Board adoption by July (non-urgent)

#### **V. Accreditation Updates**

##### **A. Cognia Accreditation Candidacy Review Schedule**

- Candidacy walkthrough with Cognia is this month
- On track

#### **VI. Framework for Delegating Staffing Decisions Discussion**

##### **A. Review hiring delegation frameworks provided by 21 Cobalt**

- Will revisit the development of this framework in Fall 2025 (hiring process for this year is already underway)
- 

#### **VII. Closing Items**

##### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
N. LeBlanc

---

**The Anchor School** is a village of educators, families, and community members that partners with 6th through 12th-grade students\* who are developing the knowledge, skills, and confidence they need to thrive in school and beyond. Through our commitment to excellent instruction, community partnerships, and holistic student development, we cultivate anchors that build a more just and equitable future.

*\*In August 2022, the SCSC authorized TAS as a GA Charter School with approval to enroll students who will be in the 6th grade in the fall of 2023.*