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Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School

Minutes

Educational Excellence Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday March 5, 2020 at 5:15 PM

Location

Elementary Campus

In accordance with Georgia's open meetings requirements, notice of this meeting has been posted at both campuses and on the ANCS website.

Committee Members Present

Cathey Goodgame, Chuck Meadows, Eric Teusink, Hanah Goldberg, Jason Rhodes, Kristen Frenzel, Lara Zelski, Nancy Lamb

Committee Members Absent

Howard Franklin

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Hanah Goldberg called a meeting of the Educational Excellence Committee of Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School to order on Thursday Mar 5, 2020 at 5:23 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

Jason Rhodes made a motion to approve the minutes from Educational Excellence Committee Meeting on 02-06-20.

Eric Teusink seconded the motion.

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

II. Educational Excellence

A. Charter Renewal Update

- Letter of intent filed 2/28
- 5 years requested
- Upcoming meetings:
 - 3/6 APS Office of Innovation, GCSA re: attendance zone
 - 3/9 GOSA
 - 3/19 ANCS CFO
 - 3/23 ANCS Leadership Team

B. Application/Lottery Update

- 860 total applications (779 City of Atlanta)
 - 104 Grant Park
 - 50 Ormewood Park
 - 16 Summerhill
- 194 economically disadvantaged (13 in Zone 1; 7 of those rising K or 6)
- Chuck Meadows to prepare additional data cuts for 3/17 board meeting

C. Attendance Data Review

- Clarification regarding definitions and thresholds:
 - CCRPI is based on % of students **absent less than 10% of enrolled days**
 - GOSA
 - defines chronic absenteeism as a student missing 10 percent or more of enrolled days
 - reports the percentage of students absent **0 to 5 days**, **6-15 days**, and **more than 15 days**
 - utilizes the following criteria for indicator rankings:
 - **Exemplary**: 5% or less absent more than 15 days
 - **Acceptable**: Greater than 5% but less than 15% of students absent more than 15 days
 - **Unacceptable**: 15% or more of students absent more than 15 days
- 2019-2020 ANCS Attendance (as of 3/4)
 - EC: 225 absent 3 days or more
 - MC: 131 absent 3 days or more
- This year/coming months anomalous given COVID-19 precautions

- Future efforts to communicate, monitor attendance
 - Beginning-of-year communication re: expectations
 - Continue to include attendance data on progress reports, report cards
 - Add section to EC Conference Form to include tardies/absences
 - Shared expectations regarding threshold (e.g., 6 vs. 10%, etc.)
 - Direct communication to families next school year when student absences exceed threshold

D. Potential Changes to Attendance Zone/Lottery

Board updated on general discussion/considerations at February board meeting. Additional updates will be available following meeting with APS, GCSA on 3/6 as well as feedback from legal counsel.

E. Data Dashboard/Improvement Plan and Priorities for 2020-2021

The school is implementing a variety of strategies to support learners, including additional Saturday School sessions, Morning Intervention, and a revision to AGP. The committee discussed how it can monitor the impact of these strategies using disaggregated MAP and progress report data.

III. 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 6:48 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Hanah Goldberg

Documents used during the meeting

None