



# Voices for International Business and Education

## Academic Committee Meeting

**Date and Time**

Wednesday November 15, 2023 at 6:30 PM CST

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**Agenda**

		Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>I.</b>	<b>Opening Items</b>			<b>6:30 PM</b>
A.	Call the Meeting to Order		Tonya Winfield	1 m
	<p><b>Mission:</b> To educate and nurture a diverse learning community through the International Baccalaureate Programme, world languages and intercultural appreciation to succeed in a global economy</p>			
B.	Record Attendance		Tonya Winfield	1 m
C.	Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes	Tonya Winfield	2 m
<b>II.</b>	<b>Academic</b>			<b>6:34 PM</b>
A.	Academic Dashboard and HOS Report	Discuss	Adierah Berger	20 m
	<p>Monthly Report Presentation 2023-24</p> <p>Review Academic Dashboard</p>			

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
Review most recent SPS Scores Update on Reimagine grant -Discuss work being done on updating the strategic plan School Culture Technology			
<b>B. Review Committee Goals for 23-24 School Year</b>	Discuss	Tonya Winfield	3 m
1 Monitor and Evaluate the progress of students over the 23-24 school year 2 Encourage 100% Board Participation towards school cultural events - defined by financial support and increase attendance at cultural events 3 Review our current strategic plan as it relates to Academics- make recommendations to the Strategic Plan committee inclusive with our expansion grant goals and overall sustainability			
<b>C. Outline specific Steps to be taken in obtaining our goals</b>		Tonya Winfield	16 m
Goal 1 Goa 2 Goal 3			
<b>D. Establish Time line for Specific Tasks</b>	Discuss	Tonya Winfield	14 m
Goal 1 Goal 2 Goal 3			
<b>E. Vote on specific tasks and timeline for comm goals</b>	Vote	Tonya Winfield	3 m
<b>III. Closing Items</b>			<b>7:30 PM</b>
<b>A. Public Comment</b>		Tonya Winfield	3 m
<b>B. Next Meeting</b>	FYI	Tonya Winfield	1 m
January 17, 2024			
<b>C. Adjourn Meeting</b>	Vote	Tonya Winfield	1 m

# Coversheet

## Approve Minutes

**Section:** I. Opening Items  
**Item:** C. Approve Minutes  
**Purpose:** Approve Minutes  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** 2023\_09\_06\_academic\_committee\_meeting\_minutes (1).pdf



# Voices for International Business and Education

## Minutes

### Academic Committee Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday September 6, 2023 at 6:30 PM

#### **Location**

International High School of New Orleans  
Community Room  
727 Carondelet Street  
New Orleans, La 70130

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#### **Committee Members Present**

A. Berger, C. Lacoste, Jr., C. Robinson, F. McKenna, J. Carreno, K. Dwyer, T. Winfield

#### **Committee Members Absent**

G. Espinoza

#### **Guests Present**

C. Bourque, James Davis

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### **I. Opening Items**

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

K. Dwyer called a meeting of the Academic Committee of Voices for International Business and Education to order on Wednesday Sep 6, 2023 at 6:31 PM.

**B. Record Attendance**

**C. Approve Minutes**

K. Dwyer made a motion to approve the minutes.

C. Robinson seconded the motion.

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

**II. Academic**

**A. Accept Committee Goals for 23-24 School Year**

Monitor and Evaluate the progress of students over the 2023.24 school year.

100% Board participation towards school cultural events- defined by financial support and an increase in attendance at cultural events.

Review our current strategic plan as it relates to Academics- make recommendations for the strategic plan committee inclusive with our expansion grant goals and overall sustainability.

K. Dwyer made a motion to approve the goals.

C. Lacoste, Jr. seconded the motion.

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

**B. Vote on meeting dates and time for the Academic Committee**

September 6

November 15

January 24

March 6

May 1

at 6:30pm

C. Lacoste, Jr. made a motion to approve the meeting dates.

K. Dwyer seconded the motion.

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

**C. Academic Dashboard and HOS Report**

**III. Closing Items**

**A. Next Meeting**

November 15 at 6:30

**B. Public Comment**

**C.**

### **Adjourn Meeting**

C. Robinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

C. Lacoste, Jr. seconded the motion.

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

# Coversheet

## Academic Dashboard and HOS Report

**Section:** II. Academic  
**Item:** A. Academic Dashboard and HOS Report  
**Purpose:** Discuss  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** Academics Committee Meeting 11\_15.docx



## Academics Committee Meeting

November 2023

### Highlights

- Professional Development on unit planning has begun for IB MYP Implementation. The IHSNO academic team is on track for a 3rd quarter of implementation.
- The IB diploma and course selection candidates will be registered for the May 2024 examinations by November 15, 2023. There will be a total of 22 candidates registered for the exams.
- Individual Graduation Plans were completed on October 30th for all grade levels by an independent contracted company.

### Academics

- All staff evaluations for the 2022-2023 school year have been completed, teacher scores ranged from 1.7 to 3.5. Academic leadership started daily observations with timely feedback to identify strengths and areas of improvement and offer coaching and support for teachers to improve their instructional practices.
- Human Resources: We filled the positions for ELL and Quest for Success. We have a recent resignation letter from the ELA teacher and Special Education Coordinator. We are actively recruiting to fill these positions.
- IHSNO is working with a School Improvement Support Specialist (SISS) with LDOE's Office of Teaching and Learning to provide differentiated and targeted support to our Math Department. The goal is to improve the use of Tier 1 recommended curricula in all math classes. We have conducted two walkthroughs and discussed areas of strength and growth with math teachers. The main goal is that teachers use the adopted curriculum as prescribed.
- MYP Candidate school status continues with planning meetings and developing a timeline and implementation plan for personal projects for sophomores. IB Coordinator conducted a workshop for faculty to outline future unit plan expectations and develop model unit plans for courses with department chairs.
- The Fast Forward and Clear Fluency program was purchased for literacy development, and three-fourths of the student body completed their literacy screeners. Test results have shown that students are behind in reading levels, some as low as third grade. Academic Leaders will monitor student usage of the program to verify progress in their literacy skills.
- Juniors and seniors participated in ACT the Work Keys assessment on Tuesday, November 14. A total of 168 students were assessed. The assessment measures foundational skills required for success in the workplace and helps measure the workplace skills that can affect job performance.





- The counseling department organized the Mississippi College tour for November 15th and 16th. Forty students will attend the field trip and visit seven different colleges in Mississippi.
- All students participated in Individual Graduation Plan (IGP) meetings with an external provider. IGP meetings are essential to help students develop goal-setting skills, increase motivation to attend school, and increase academic self-efficacy, which leads to better academic achievement. Students will have a second IGP meeting in the spring semester to review goals and ensure they are on track for graduation.

## Culture

- New teachers and staff attended the Capturing Kids Hearts training this month. This training is designed to begin a multi-year, transformational process. This two-day, immersive, participatory experience gives teachers, staff, and administrators the skills they need to succeed in today's classrooms.
- In athletics, the girls' volleyball team closed the season in October. We are excited to start the basketball and soccer seasons.
- Students participated in the School Climate Survey for Fall 2023. The survey is in conjunction with the School Climate Transformation Grant to assess IHSNO's culture and climate. The evaluators will submit survey results this month.
- Students will participate in Spirit Week this week. We will have a pep rally on Friday and a homecoming game in the evening. The Homecoming dance will be this Saturday at the University of New Orleans.

## Events

- The first quarter Honor Roll and Perfect Attendance Awards were successful, and students received medals and diplomas. 57 students were on the honor roll: 13 freshmen, nine sophomores, nine juniors, and 26 seniors.
- Open House was successfully executed on November 1, 2023. There were about ten families in attendance. Several families were from previous high school fairs attended by IHSNO staff.

## Upcoming events

- November 15-16: Mississippi College Tour - 40 students from different grade levels attended.
- November 13th to November 17th: Spirit Week
- November 17th: Homecoming Game: 5:30 pm at the Dryades YMCA
- November 18th: Homecoming Dance: 8:00 to 11:00 at the UNO Alumni Center
- December 1-5: Fall Leap Testing.
- December 13 -19 Fall Semester Final Exams



- January 3 - 5: Asynchronous days during campus move and classroom setup.
- January TBD: building inauguration day in January—a date to be determined.