



# Voices for International Business and Education

# Minutes

Academic Committee Meeting

Date and Time Tuesday June 12, 2018 at 6:00 PM

Location

727 Carondelet St. New Orleans, LA 70130

Voices for International Business and Education http://public.boardontrack.com/VIBE\_1

**Committee Members Present** C. Allen, G. Lazard, R. McGee, S. Retzlaff, S. Thomas

Committee Members Absent None

**Guests Present** L. Lopez, S. Wilson, charles young

# I. Opening Items

# A. Record Attendance and Guests

# B. Call the Meeting to Order

G. Lazard called a meeting of the Academic Committee of Voices for International Business and Education to order on Tuesday Jun 12, 2018 at 6:01 PM.

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#### **Approve Minutes**

G. Lazard made a motion to approve minutes from the Academic Committee Meeting on 05-08-18 Academic Committee Meeting on 05-08-18.

S. Retzlaff seconded the motion.

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

#### II. Academic

#### A. Dashboard

This month's dashboard captures the data from the month of May.

The LEAP was changed for EOC

Os on the dashboard reflect that data was not collected for this year but will start collecting for next year.

There were no surprises to the principal. Even retention numbers although not pleasing, it is not significantly higher than in previous years.

EOC results for history are not ready until July.

SR is appreciative of the work behind the creation and populating of the dashboard.

G. Lazard made a motion to To approve the dashboard as presented and ready to communicate to the board at large.

S. Retzlaff seconded the motion.

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

GL would like to have the formula to compute the SPS that the state provides.

## B. Technology Plan Overview

- The technology plan is something that IHSNO does every three years. Different departments had the opportunity to provide input for the plan.
- We are not required to have such plan in place, but it is a good strategy to ensure updated IT support and services.
- The technology plan is part of the Strategic plan under academics.
- Remove Fr. Carter from the list of the board members and review the rest of the names' spellings.
- As technology emerges, we want to make sure we stay abreast to provide the tools necessary for academic success.
- We are looking at a model to provide students that are coming to IHSNO undercredited to provide online learning to catch up with credits to graduate on time.
- This year we have brought the ability to provide credit-recovery on campus during the summer. Students have to pay for this service.
- The film class is currently working on collaborating with other classes from across the world.

Operation sparks is one of the programs that teach coding and advanced coding. They also offer to test for industry-based credentials. We had 19 students participating. There are six other schools participating.

We also have a partnership with Uncommon construction, but they are not yet a Jumpstart partnership.

SR asked about the language lab. SW explained that the plan was not funded when we submitted the grant.

ST observed that we did great in Biology. We had a completely new science department this year.

ST asked if we have captured somewhere what can we do better, AB explained that not yet, the department is currently working on it developing goals for next year.

Part of the technology goals is to have every classroom equipped with enough computers for each student.

Another plan is to increase the bandwidth for students to connect their own technology equipment.

The vote to approve the plan will be delayed until August.

## **III. Other Business**

## A. Other Business

GL asked if the committee has time to review the charter? ST explained that it will be the goal for next year for the whole board.

Our charter has been impacted by the changes from the state of what we are now required to participate in and adopt even if it is contrary to our charter.

The state awards renewal according to the Charter School Compact.

SR expressed how much better it has felt this year and the team has done a great job. The academic committee will continue to meet on the second Tuesday of the month beginning in August. Further discussion will take place as the date gets closer.

## **IV. Closing Items**

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## **Adjourn Meeting**

S. Retzlaff made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

S. Thomas seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. Lopez