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Voices for International Business and Education

Minutes

VIBE Academic Committee Meeting

Academic Committee

Date and Time

Tuesday February 9, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Location

Virtual Meeting

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Topic: VIBE Academic Committee Meeting

Time: February 9, 2021 @ 06:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

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MISSION: To educate and nurture a diverse learning community through the International Baccalaureate Programme, world languages and intercultural appreciation to succeed in a global economy.

ACADEMIC COMMITTEE GOALS:

- **GOAL 1: Monitor and increase the progress of SPS.**
- **GOAL 2: Streamline the academic dashboard.**
- **GOAL 3: Monitor ACT Progress.**
- **GOAL 4: Monitor and increase the effectiveness of the distance learning program at IHSNO.**

Committee Members Present

G. Lazard (remote), G. Medford (remote), L. Scott Porter (remote)

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

A. Berger (remote), J. Carreno (remote), K. Vo (remote), P. Recasner (remote), S. Thomas (remote), S. Wilson (remote), T. Huynh (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

G. Medford called a meeting of the Academic Committee of Voices for International Business and Education to order on Tuesday Feb 9, 2021 at 6:02 PM.

C. Approve Minutes from January 12, 2021 Meeting

G. Medford made a motion to approve the minutes from VIBE Academic Committee Meeting on 01-12-21.

L. Scott Porter seconded the motion.

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

II. HEAD OF SCHOOL REPORT

A. UPDATES

- There was an explanation given about the COVID-19 chart that was displayed during the meeting.
- There was a discussion about the different projects that will take place in the future at IHSNO.
- IHSNO is working on applying for grants that will fund the projects that have been planned for.

III. SCHOOL CULTURE

A. UPDATES

- Culture Department spoke about Professional Development.
- PBIS and Capturing Kids Hearts (CKH) are programs that are being at IHSNO.
- There was a discussion about Parent Engagement and the importance of it was stressed.
- The committee is supportive of more parent involvement at IHSNO.
- A lot of IHSNO's after school programs and clubs have been stopped at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The IB learning profile - every month is a different learning profile.
- Bus Transportation- Parents are encouraged to let the students ride the bus to school.
- Float contests are currently taking place. Parents, students, and all staff are invited to participate.
- Committee would like more information about CKH.

IV. SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT/ACADEMICS

A. UPDATES

- IB testing is getting ready to start.
- Internal testing will be decided, and teachers will use predictive grading for students.
- Students will be returning the school in February after Mardi Gras.
- Students that missed the mock ACT testing will be able to retake them.
- 9th and 10th graders will be coming in to take their assessment tests.
- Better Lesson discussed in more detail.
- The school calendar was finalized for the next school year. All important dates were included in the calendar.

- Assessment for Leap 360 was discussed. The content for the report on Leap 360 was explained.
- Only the students who came in person to campus were able to participate in Leap 360 this time.
- About 30% of students attend in person when they can. These are the students who feel that they need in-person teacher interaction.
- The students who come in person are the ones who need the in-person approach.
- Metrics for overall student progress were addressed.
- The social workers have started a program for students that takes place after school. The program is called "Let's Talk Tuesdays". This program encourages and allows students to talk about open subjects. It is an open discussion.
- There are different standardized testing that takes place throughout the year.
- EL students are being tutored through the tutoring program that is now available.
- Teachers are judged through engagements, planning, and observations.
- Students' performance is measured through progress reports, Leap 360 scores, diagnostic testing, and report cards.
- Academic Dashboard - directly tied to school performance scores.
- Last year, IHSNO did not have school performance scores.
- All positions have been filled at IHSNO in the Academic Department.

V. INFORMATION/TECHNOLOGY

A. UPDATES

- The IT Department has been making themselves available after hours in order for students to receive.
- The new IHSNO website design will be completed soon. The final details are currently being discussed with the website creator.
- The IT team has been preparing laptops for on-site testing for student use. Testing takes place on a secure line on campus.
- There are currently 90 devices total for testing.
- Laptops are disinfected after use.
- The IHSNO website includes an application that can be downloaded through the Play Store through Apple and Android devices.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

A. OTHER BUSINESS NEXT MEETING...MARCH 9, 2021

- The next Academic Committee Meeting will be on March 9, 2021.
- Committee members will be meeting offline to discuss measuring students' performance. The meeting will be a public meeting.
- The committee has requested more information about Capturing Kids Hearts (CKH) and has requested that it will be sent to them through email.

B.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- There is no public comment.

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 7:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
G. Medford

Documents used during the meeting

- COVID-19 Expenditures as of-2021-0131.pdf
- Academic CMTE Presentation-2021-0131.pdf
- Academic CMTE Dashboard-2021-0131.pdf