



# Advanced Math & Science Academy Charter School

## Minutes

### Education Committee Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Monday April 7, 2025 at 6:00 PM

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Education Committee will be meeting virtually

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#### Committee Members Present

Dwayne Stanley (remote), Gregory Theos (remote), Kristin Laird (remote), Maura Webster (remote), Mike Nawrocki (remote), Stephan Richter (remote)

#### Committee Members Absent

Evan Przyborowski

#### Guests Present

Anisha Peri (remote), Anton Richter (remote), Cathy Schoenleber (remote)

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

Stephan Richter called a meeting of the Education Committee of Advanced Math & Science Academy Charter School to order on Monday Apr 7, 2025 at 6:03 PM.

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### Approve Minutes February

Gregory Theos made a motion to approve the minutes from Education Committee Meeting on 02-24-25.

Mike Nawrocki seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

Stephan Richter	Aye
Kristin Laird	Aye
Gregory Theos	Aye
Mike Nawrocki	Aye
Maura Webster	Abstain
Dwayne Stanley	Abstain
Evan Przyborowski	Absent

### D. Approve Minutes March

Mike Nawrocki made a motion to approve the minutes from Education Committee Meeting on 03-17-25.

Dwayne Stanley seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

Evan Przyborowski	Absent
Kristin Laird	Absent
Stephan Richter	Aye
Gregory Theos	Aye
Mike Nawrocki	Aye
Maura Webster	Absent
Dwayne Stanley	Aye

## II. Rigor

### A. Courses Unique to AMSA

- Greg recapped the presentation on comparing AMSA's curriculum to the sending districts (High-school only)
- Focused on AP and Advanced classes
- Reviewed graduation requirements - Similar to sending districts
- AMSA is second place as far as AP classes offered; second to Marlborough
- Takeaways:
  - AMSA offers slightly more AP classes
  - AP classes offered are fairly normal
- There are some caveats to AP classes offered: Example CS courses range from Data Science to Cyber security

- AMSA offers an above-average number of APs both in absolute terms and for a school of its size, when compared to sending towns
  - Can we give students who want to demonstrate excellence & engagement with advance content in non-STEM or non-exclusively-STEM path
  - Future Work:
    - How does this data look for middle school?
    - How does this data look when analyzed over the course of a student's time at AMSA?
  - Greg will post the slideshow for any additional questions or discussions
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- Do we know when other schools allow kids to take AP classes; Yes - it is in the data Greg has
  - A school reached out to AMSA out of Springfield MA noting the data AMSA posted for their AP classes (Fast facts Page)
    - A few of the teachers drove from Springfield to meet Mike and a few teachers to view AMSA's schedule and use it as a model for their school.
  - Mike is open to Marty Richardson, Briana Murphey to open up an arts/literature night
    - Greg to follow-up with Mike after speaking to teachers
  - Data dashboard for the Board of Trustees should include AP data
  - Education Committee should give Mike some feedback
  - Need to educate Colleges and Universities that Advanced classes are higher than AP classes
  - Looking into the weighting of AP classes for GPA purposes
    - Mike trying to form a group of no more than 5 teachers to look into the GPA policy
    - Can bring back to the committee for a scale review

### **III. Closing Items**

#### **A. Agenda topics for the next Education Committee Meeting**

- Review the Family Survey at next meeting
- Review Staff Survey at June meeting
- Think about what we want to do with the committee next year

#### **B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Gregory Theos