



# Wesley International Academy

## Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

**Date and Time** Tuesday December 17, 2019 at 4:45 PM

Location Wesley Conference Room

Committee Members Present A. Pullen, D. Johnson, D. Mason, D. Satterfield, J. Hansen

Committee Members Absent J. Marshall, J. Wright

Guests Present B. Mitchell, D. Hrabe, Jatoya Armour

## I. Opening Items

## A. Record Attendance and Guests

## B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Hansen called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Wesley International Academy to order on Tuesday Dec 17, 2019 at 4:56 PM.

## C. Approve Meeting Minutes

J. Hansen made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 11-19-19.

A. Pullen seconded the motion.

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

#### II. Academic Excellence

#### A. Fall Benchmark Data

Benchmark Data: Lagging Data from Benchmark 1 from last month: lower grades do well, then dip, then recover - the standards are different and hard to compare ELA - 1st and 7th performed well Science - 8th grade scores low but not a drop from where they were last year Social Studies - not a lot of variation across grade levels

Trends -

PYP:

Social Studies - struggling with place and geography - coordinated with science; inferences are problematic as well (application); ELA - reading in literature good but struggled in the language standards; math was strongest except in 1st;

Professional learning - teachers struggling with the application piece

MYP - math - number systems strongest but struggle with explaining their answers; writing in 8th grade a strength; students will not read long passages; science - has a strong math focus and students are struggling (pacing may be a factor); social studies - civics and government is a matter of focus

Next steps -Transdisciplinary learning - geography focus in different subjects

Professional development - differentiation revamped tutorial - focus on struggling students in math and reading but now they are dedicated to a day for each subject -

#### **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 5:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, J. Hansen