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Wesley International Academy

Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday January 21, 2020 at 4:45 PM

Location
Wesley Conference Room

Committee Members Present
A. Pullen, J. Hansen

Committee Members Absent
D. Johnson, D. Mason, D. Satterfield, J. Marshall, J. Wright

Guests Present
R. Goodman

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 Jan 21, 2020 at 4:49 PM.

C. Approve Meeting Minutes

A. Pullen made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 12-17-19.
J. Hansen seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Academic Excellence

A. Winter Benchmark Data

Winter Benchmark:

PYP - Completely different platform for this (Mastery Connect) so they are not teacher created any longer. We will compare the results but the data will be off.

Math - K highest performing, 1st had the most growth, 3rd hitting geometry so that is low. 4th did well in fractions which doesn't always happen

ELA - impacted by the change in platforms - paragraphs are longer and the questions are harder, lowest performing is K - using guided reading to hone those skills, writing is a weakness so they are working to use the resources to improve not just assess
Science - 1st has largest growth 5th has the highest scores 8th is the lowest but higher than last year. Cause and effect is a problem; 7th students are weaher than last year
SS - geography and map skills are still weak; MYP is experiencing the same

Trends - math is consistently strong;; reading and lit are strong but language and grammar are weak. Science - majority scored at developing; SS - largest growth but growth did occur

MYP - numbers and fractions are weak; ELA - now using for formative practice;

Next steps - transdisciplinary skills; tutorial began this semester; remediation and accelerated groups; Data talks coming up for Level II science standards ; trying to create a culture of getting extra help MYP is considering it

Math meets 3x per week; tutorials to meet all levels of learning as well - in order to get 2 groups in accelerated math

B. IB Program Presentation

PYP IB Evaluation is 2021 - Self Study phase - self assessment and preparation - PD requirements - 5 year cycles for teacher training - Inform school community - IB parent group meets to go over the policy needs- all teachers in groups to review the standards and to rate whether they are being done- monthly meetings to get walk throughs - pull kids to speak and do the same for other schools -

WIA Policy updates - culture standards for the schools - (academic integrity)

Policies need to be updated - academic integrity policy - needs to be laid out so that parents see it- basically creating standards across grade levels - a lot is aligned with APS and Casey - gifted training for teachers (cluster and collaborative models); verbage is important when discussing math - constant grouping and regrouping - use data to adjust schedules - also need more than one (transdisciplinary block)

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 5:32 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Hansen