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Wesley International Academy

Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee

Date and Time

Tuesday January 18, 2022 at 4:00 PM

Location

Zoom Meeting ID: 824 6200 8660

Passcode: academic

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82462008660?pwd=SFdJdi96T2hhRmhqVUF5RGdiM0hUUT09>

Committee Members Present

C. Hudson (remote), D. Mason (remote), D. Satterfield (remote), G. Burnett (remote), J. Marshall (remote), J. Wright (remote), R. Goodman (remote), R. Pavone (remote)

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

D. Johnson (remote), Teri Fetiery (remote), jatoyia armour (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

G. Burnett called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Wesley International Academy to order on Tuesday Jan 18, 2022 at 4:02 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

II. Academic Excellence

A. Update on New Positions

Dr. Satterfield discussed the new positions for supporting students based on data from the last Academic Excellence Meeting. The positions were PYP PBIS Coordinator and Dean of Students. Dean of Students primary point of contact when issues with discipline. PYP PBIS Coordinator will provide positive behavior supports for students and teachers. Will spend 80-90 percent of their time in classrooms. Both positions have been posted and scheduled to start immediately. Admin is in the process of reviewing resumes. Admin will look both internally and externally to be mindful of the mid year hire.

B. Update on Behavior Data

Mr. Pavone presented an update on Discipline data for MYP. Sixth Grade as decreased in the types of behaviors. This might be due to the fact that Wesley hired a full time ELA teacher in November. 7th Grade had a slight increase in behavior concerns while 8th grade has improved. Discipline issues arise after rolling quarantines often. A discussion occurred regarding the use of social media and its impact on discipline concerns. The committee wanted to continue to talk about changes to our policies that may support the school and the work they are doing in regards to social media and bullying investigations.

Ms. Hudson discussed PYP data and the trends in discipline. Behaviors include extreme aggression that placed student and staff at harms way. Most referrals and suspension days came from second grade. Admin saw an uptick in November due to stamina and ability to concentrate in the classroom. Ms Hudson will provide a breakdown by month for the next update if needed.

C. Recent Academic Data

Ms. Goodman spoke to the MYP data. There was large growth in students in 7th and 8th grade math. Students did not grow as much in Reading. MYP will move towards more focused small group instruction to address the lack of growth in MYP. The committee would like to look at retention numbers. Additionally, look into ways to support the engagement of reading back to the students.

Ms. Hudson spoke to PYP data. Teachers are struggling with acceleration. The PYP has talked about the move away from remediation to acceleration. Teachers will need more support in differentiation, both virtual and in person.

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 5:31 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
G. Burnett

Documents used during the meeting

None