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WESLEY
INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY

Wesley International Academy

Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee

Date and Time

Tuesday May 17, 2022 at 4:00 PM

Location

Zoom Meeting ID: 824 6200 8660

Passcode: academic

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Committee Members Present

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

Committee Members Absent

D. Satterfield, J. Wright

Guests Present

Jaytoyia Armour (remote), Julia Dong (remote), Teri Fetiere (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 May 17, 2022 at 4:07 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

II. Academic Excellence

A. Organizational Models

Jason Marshall and staff presented the need for a new configuration of leadership for the next 4 to 5 years at Wesley Int'l. Several possible configurations, each with single principal as lead were provided.

Rationale:

- The school is up for renewal next year and needed changes to the organization became apparent during COVID response.
- Principal is freed to become full-time instructional leader and visit classrooms rather than deal with discipline.
- Builds leader capacity to ensure greater academic success and provides succession planning runs deeper than currently.

The New Leadership Profile Options of Wesley International:

1. One Principal to lead the K-8 school. each IB level (PYP & MYP) will have 2 assistant principals.
2. One principal with APs spread out by grade level as opposed to IB level
3. One principal with a dedicated AP for instruction and one for discipline at each IB level.
4. 3 APS spread across by grade level and 1 Dean of Students (discipline)

Mr. Marshall and Ms. Goodman described initial ideas regarding discipline and how it will be handled in Option 1.

Additional information:

Adopted APS code of conduct and will train parents and staff on discipline.

Conference in Savannah, GA on restorative practices will be taken by several staff members.

Elementary and Middle School PBIS staff person will also be a part of the configuration.

School is also funded by the state as one school with 1 principal and its academic data is presented as one K-8 school in state reporting.

Goal Setting:

Committee discussion will take place in July regarding Academic goals. Ms. Goodman described several buckets:

1. STEM,
2. DEI,
3. Instructional Practices,
4. Discipline.

B. Policies for Next Year

New cell phone policy may be coming out and Academic Committee will be kept abreast of developments.

C. MAP Update

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 5:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
G. Burnett