



The GLOBE Academy

Minutes

Academic Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Friday September 11, 2020 at 2:00 PM

Vision, Mission and Core Values

Vision: To develop globally minded citizens who have the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to effect positive change in our world.

Mission: The GLOBE Academy fosters Global Learning Opportunities through Balanced Education for children of all backgrounds. With a focus on dual-language immersion, an experiential-learning model, and a constructivist approach, GLOBE inspires students to be high-performing lifelong learners equipped to make a positive impact in the world.

Core Values: The GLOBE Academy's core values are expressed in the acronym, CREST: Community, Respect, Empathy, Sustainability and Trust. These values are expected of the governing board, faculty, staff, parents, and students. They are woven into daily life at GLOBE and incorporated into the curriculum.

- Community: We are inclusive, and we nurture and support one another.
- Respect: We treat ourselves and each other with kindness and dignity.
- Empathy: We strive to understand and share the feelings of others.
- Sustainability: We aim to conserve our resources for optimal use in the present and future.
- Trust: We are committed to honesty, transparency, and respectfully sharing our thoughts and encouraging others to do the same.

Committee Members Present

C. Blunt (remote), C. Catinella (remote), C. Elliott-Earby (remote), D. Reynolds (remote), J. Limor (remote), L. Dibble (remote), M. Huitt (remote), R. Hudak (remote), S. Daniel (remote), S. Manns (remote), Z. Funchess (remote)

Committee Members Absent

C. Chestnut, G. Lawton, J. Varnell, K. Padron, L. Sum

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Reynolds called a meeting of the Academic Committee of The GLOBE Academy to order on Friday Sep 11, 2020 at 2:00 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

- S. Manns made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Committee Meeting on 08-13-20.
- D. Reynolds seconded the motion.

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

II. Academic

A. Sharing GLOBE's story

The committee discussed a number of data points that could be shared to help tell the story of GLOBE with public audiences. The discussion began reviewing public data available about GLOBE on state website: https://schoolgrades.georgia.gov/globe-academy

Committee members also identified areas for potential data gathering and sharing around dual-language immersion, cultural and linguistic diversity, and teacher experience.

It was suggested that the committee may consider working with other board committees to identify key messages and identifying data that could be used as evidence to support key messages.

B. Discussion: Academic Factors to Consider in School Reopening

The committee discussed factors to consider when exploring school opening decision-making that were specifically related to teaching and learning at GLOBE. The purpose of this conversation was to inform the reopening committee and board on academic considerations related to GLOBE reopening.

Items discussed included:

- Scheduling challenges in hybrid formats for dual-language immersion pedagogy
- Supporting students with unique circumstances (special education, language learning, medical needs)
- Supporting teachers, particularly in hybrid formats that may require teaching through multiple modalities
- Logistics (e.g. rooms, space, desk arrangement, dual-campus environment, class scheduling)

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 3:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

D. Reynolds