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Sankofa Montessori

Minutes

Academic Committee Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday May 13, 2026 at 2:00 PM

Location
Meeting ID 601 495 1069

Through a culturally responsive, child and family-centered Montessori education, Sankofa Montessori ensures that all of our students develop the knowledge, skill, and agency to have a life of purpose.

Committee Members Present
A. Allen-Thames

Committee Members Absent
None

Guests Present
Monika Davis, Sarah Harvey

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

A. Allen-Thames called this meeting to order at 2:05 PM on May 13, 2026.

B. Record Attendance

C. Approve Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from Academic Committee Meeting on 04-16-26.
A. Allen-Thames seconded the motion.
Motion made by Monika
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Leadership Team Updates

1. Enrollment status- Current enrollment status and efforts for enrollment fundraising & School Attendance

Enrollment total 119 students- K41 1st 28 2nd 18 3rd 17 4th 15

27 withdrawals to date- 2 since last mth (1st-risk of expulsion, K-moved)

Enrollment for SY26-27 154 out of 165 applications completed -notable 3rd 18 4th 21 and 5th 12

2. Personnel Updates- Updates on staffing and updates regarding professional development of staff. Staff Attendance.
Currently, 8 Flight Captains, 3 Co-Captains, 4 Flight Control, 1 PT CNA, 1 PT Custodian, 1 long term Sub, 2 Support Staff

waiting to fill :
K teacher, Math& Reading Interventionist contractor, PE Teacher, Manager of Culture, and Sped teacher

3. Updates on school suspensions/expulsions by grade
3 K, 1 1st grade, mostly related to terroist threats and/or physical assault

4. Standardized Testing and Screening Data Updates- Any outstanding outcome data per grade from fall assessments if applicable. Updates/Preliminary Results if applicable (I.e. IXL and Lexia data; data on low performing 2nd-4th graders.

Students taking MAP and GA Milestones this month.

5. Discuss School-Parent (PTO)-any updates for upcoming SY25-26- *Noted End of Year events and Upcoming Spring Field trips*

6. SCSC Follow Ups- CCRPI data review-Schedule next Academic Task Force meeting after Spring MAP and GA milestones data- *planning to meet next month for Academic Task Force to go over Dashboard data*

7. Other Important Updates- Discussed *Alyssa's law and signing a potential 1 year contract w/Centegix (new state law requirement)*

E. Special Education

- Discuss student enrollment #/% of student population with suspected and/or identified special needs

21 Sped students, total population 17.6%
5 ESOL, 7 504 plans

- Any updates on staffing for Special Needs and progress of Special Ed classroom- *Pending hiring of additional Sped Teacher*
- Any updates on classroom integration of special needs and updates on external supports for special needs (ie Speech, ABA, OT/PT)-*SLP and OT contractors filled for next school year*
- Any updates on psycho-educational testing for students- plans- *MTSS 13 students all for Academic*
- *Board Discussion *Board member brought up concern for funding students with IEPs. Discussion around expectations to maintain charter and how to express our school progress and challenges with SpEd. Discussion to segregate SpED Data at Academic Task Force meeting.*

F. Gifted Student Services

Discuss student enrollment #/% of student population with suspected and/or identified for gifted services
10 students, 8.4% total population

Discuss plans for data tracking/allocating #/% of students for appropriate funding per student for special services or gifted services- *n/a*

G. SY 25-26 Goals

Any updates or changes to the short term and long term goals for next school year- *Reviewed last month*

Any outstanding items or updates on grants/funding/external partnerships for next school year- *N/A*

II. Public Comments/Questions

A. Public Comment

Speakers please limit questions/comments to 2 minute.

No public comment for this meeting.

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 3:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Allen-Thames