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Prelude Preparatory Board of Directors

Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

Date and Time
Monday June 16, 2025 at 12:30 PM

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting is scheduled at 6:30 PM.
This Meeting will be conducted by telephone conference in accordance with the Governor's authorization concerning the suspension of certain open meeting law requirements for COVID-19.

Committee Members Present
Dr. Denise Miner-Williams (remote), Lauren Lewis

Committee Members Absent
None

Guests Present
MaryAnne Malicki (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Dr. Denise Miner-Williams called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Prelude Preparatory Board of Directors to order on Monday Jun 16, 2025 at 12:43 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

Lauren Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 05-06-25.
Dr. Denise Miner-Williams seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Academic Excellence

A. Academic Growth Testing Results

Overall, we are seeing growth in students, which is positive; However, achievement is not yet at desired levels. MAP Growth measures student progress over time. Students were tested in Reading, Math, and Language (which includes critical thinking and is Grades 2-5). Students are compared to national growth norms for one school year. Growth is categorized into the following groups:

- **Low Growth (Below Typical)**
- **Typical Growth (Meets Expectations)**
- **High Growth (Exceeds Expectations)**

1. **Language: 43% of students achieved above-typical growth; 40% scored below the 40th percentile for growth. This reflects strong upward movement for a portion of students, but also low growth for others.**
2. **Math: 43% of students demonstrated high growth; 38% fell below the 40th percentile.**
3. **Reading: 43% of students are above 60th percentile indicating promising progress; 40% are in the 20-40th percentiles.**
4. **We are still awaiting STAAR data.**

III. Other Business

A. enrollment

1. Goal for enrollment for 2025-26 is to gain 100 students (total 250).
2. Brackenridge has financed a nonprofit, Families Empowered (a school choice organization), which will implement a call campaign for enrollment. They intend to make 200 contacts based on zip codes provided by Prelude.

B. Attendance

1. Attendance rate was consistent with last year at 94%. Cycle 1 and 2 are good, then illness sets in.
2. Goal is 96%.
3.Truancy Tribunal: Data is being analyzed to identify students referred to Tribunal as to being those new to Prelude vs. those who have started with Prelude.

C. Staffing

1. We are losing our 1st grade teacher due to salary concerns. He was new to teaching from a much higher-paying profession.
2. The state is implementing a new salary schedule as incentive for teacher to stay with their districts.

IV. 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 1:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dr. Denise Miner-Williams

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