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Prelude Preparatory Board of Directors

Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday November 5, 2025 at 1:00 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 Wednesday Nov 5, 2025 at 1:00 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

Lauren Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 09-17-25.
Dr. Denise Miner-Williams seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Academic Excellence

A. Achievement

1. Preliminary MAP results presented and discussed. Of Reading, Language and Math, Math is highest achievement area. Percentiles of achievement are going up.
2. Next step to determine where students are missing skills.
3. Ms. Lewis sees a positive difference in ways of thinking with students who have been coming up in the current curriculum (EL Education, Story Problems, and Blue Bonnet math).

B. Other efforts

Effort to derive from achievement scores the difference between those who have started at Prelude vs transfers in is a slow process as it must be done with each individual student; no way to collect mass data.

III. Other Business

A. Staffing

Remains stable. The three aides are mostly for SpEd students, but assist in the general classroom when needed.

B. Enrollment

1) Remains at 170.
2) To increase enrollment, a full-time recruiter is needed, which would probably be about $40,00 for the salary. Ms. Lewis addresses this when asked at meetings with funders where assistance is needed..

C. Attendance: 96.58%

D. Superintendent Comments

1. Teacher Incentive Allotment: grant for salary boost for teachers who have Recognized Teacher distinction. Application is in April. Region 20 is providing assistance with meetings in Nov and Dec for development of a program for Prelude. A committee of teachers and administrators will have to develop a metric for evaluating teachers to earn the distinction, which is part of the application. Once earned it is maintained for five years.

Incentives are higher for teachers of low income schools. Ms. Lewis will be getting more information on this process.
2. PD sessions continue with the implementation grant for using BlueBonnet math.
3. Parent Engagement: Halloween party was well-attended.
4. Report card meetings underway
5.Discussion of priorities/areas requiring most energy: Academic performance. Efforts to provide for staff to attain retention (e.g. PD, Teacher Incentive Allotment for competitive salaries). New programs within the school such as the sports program. Recruitment for enrollment needs to come from resourced outside assistance.

E. Next meeting will be 3 December 2025 at 0800

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 1:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dr. Denise Miner-Williams

Documents used during the meeting

None

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