



Elgin Math & Science Academy

Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

Date and Time Wednesday May 4, 2022 at 3:30 PM

Location

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Committee Members Present

B. Lane (remote), G. Swick (remote), J. Willer (remote), K. Kelly (remote)

Committee Members Absent

K. Shaw, L. Sterba

Guests Present

A Tannhauser, L Beavers, M. Gibb, M. Martinez, Mrs A, P Solesky, Paru H, T Morgan

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

B. Lane called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Elgin Math & Science Academy to order on Wednesday May 4, 2022 at 3:35 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

K. Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 04-06-22.

G. Swick seconded the motion.

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

II. Student Achievement

A. Upcoming Testing

J Willer reviewed the ongoing testing schedule.

III. EL Visit

A. Debrief

EL Education Credentialing Visit:

- Strengths: spirit & function of crew; students engaged in learning; students demonstrating respectful behavior
- Growth: establishing consistent instructional practices (e.g. components of teaching); expansion is cohesive; high quality work--what is the "why" behind it?
- Score: 104 vs 98 last year=fully implementing

IV. EMSA's Middle School

A. Parent Meeting

J Willer summarized content/bell schedule for middle school. Would like to set a date for the parent meeting--asked for input from committee. Committee discussed middle school enrollment numbers (currently 46 7th graders) indicated they were returning but some may be considering other options.

J Willer suggested an info piece with a survey of questions (to address at the meeting) with a meeting on 5/12 at 6:30. Highly encouraged for families to attend. It was recommended to share extracurriculars that are offered.

J Willer mentioned student exit surveys.

V. Other Business

A. End of the Year Activities

Interest expressed in starting on 8th grade graduation planning.

Last day of school: Passion Project presentations along with Celebrations of Learning. There will be a voting system for the project of choice.

Pieces of Me will be included into 10-day countdown.

Better World Day--it was suggested that students' painted rocks could be used for sidewalk/pathway border (every student has painted a rock). The enviro work group will review and make a recommendation for rock placement.

B. Summer School and Camps

June: First offering will be Extended School Year ("ESY") for qualifying special education students. Then an intervention summer school (by teacher recommendation) with science component

July: 1st-3d grades another intervention summer school with science component; Theatre Camp for any students.

There may be a sports camp as well.

VI. 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 4:05 AM.

Respectfully Submitted, K. Kelly