



# Elgin Math & Science Academy

## Minutes

### Academic Excellence Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Wednesday November 20, 2024 at 3:15 PM

#### Location

##### MPR - Gym Building

1600 Dundee Avenue

Elgin, IL 60120

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#### Committee Members Present

H. Sennholtz (remote), J. Delgado, M. Toth, S. Bennett

#### Committee Members Absent

B. Lane

#### Guests Present

J. Willer, K. Coventry, K. Martinez

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Delgado called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Elgin Math & Science Academy to order on Wednesday Nov 20, 2024 at 3:19 PM.

#### C.

### **Approve September 26, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

M. Toth made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Meeting on 09-26-24.

S. Bennett seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Academic Excellence**

### **A. High Quality Work Vision and Why**

Reviewed vision of high quality work (HQP) and rationale. Group provided questions and suggestions around the vision and rationale for HQW.

### **B. Next Steps in HQW**

Willer shared instructional next steps around expeditionizing. Pilot group of teachers who will be leading this work.

Changing of curriculum maps, incorporating standards into modules to make sure all standards are covered across the year.

Goal is for each grade level to have one learning expedition during the 25-26 school year

Discussion of EL contract

Martinez and Willer answered questions about what expeditions are, and the process.

### **C. Suspension Data**

Willer shared suspension data - 12 out of school suspensions, behaviors are physicality to staff, students, and eloping

Willer shared supports put in place for students after they receive a suspension - student support plans discussed. Interventions include incentive systems, check in check out, etc. Parents are included in the conversation around supports.

Discussion around detentions and restorative practices.

Discussion around behavior plans.

## **III. Other Business**

### **A. ISBE Site Visit**

Willer shared learnings from the ISBE site visit, specifically around IAR data.

#### **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 4:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
M. Toth