



City on a Hill Charter Public School

Minutes

May 2021 Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Monday May 17, 2021 at 5:00 PM

Committee Members Present

Edelyn Contreras (remote), Jeff Jablow (remote), Sarah Griffin (remote)

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

Maddie Collins (remote), Sonya Pratt (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Sarah Griffin called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of City on a Hill Charter Public School to order on Monday May 17, 2021 at 5:05 PM.

C. Approve February 2021 Minutes

Jeff Jablow made a motion to approve the minutes from February 2021 Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 02-11-21.

Sarah Griffin seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Sarah Griffin Aye
Edelyn Contreras Aye
Jeff Jablow Aye

II. Quarter 3 Data Deep Dive & Virtual Learning Update

A. Quarter 3 Data Deep Dive

Sonya Pratt, Chief of School, shared an overview of trends in City on a Hill Quarter 3 data, which includes, but is not limited to, all grade levels performing better in Quarter 3 than in other quarters, twelfth grade outperforming other grade levels, and ninth graders still underperforming compared to other grade levels.

Pratt shared measures that City on a Hill is taking academically, which includes using MAP data to level set against other schools and students, bringing students back to school, holding retention meetings with families, as well as continuing monthly grade level meetings.

Pratt shared that the purpose of retention meetings is to create an action plan for individual students who are not able to matriculate to the next grade due to their academic performance or attendance. These meetings are held with the parents and families of the students. The Committee discussed the tone of retention meetings, and what supports retained students will have moving forward.

Pratt then directed the Committee's attention to the NWEA MAP test, which is a state-aligned, computerized adaptive test to measure a student's growth over time. Pratt shared City on a Hill's MAP data with the Committee, noting that City on a Hill's Winter MAP test scores fall somewhat below the national average. The Committee plans to review MAP growth percentiles after the test is administered again to students in early June.

Pratt shared that City on a Hill is planning for summer school to take place in July. Pratt also shared that the Leadership Team has chosen to lower the average score to get into summer school from 60% to 50%, as well as noted that City on a Hill is fully staffed for summer school. The Committee discussed City on a Hill not having credit recovery courses this summer school year, opting to focus on remediation classes.

Pratt shared staff retention data with the Committee next School Year. The Committee also discussed the hiring process for School Year 2021-2022, which is well underway. The discussion concluded with the Committee discussing supports for students moving into next school year, including but not limited to, MAP testing students three times for

growth purposes, continuing to work with a math consultant and looking to hire a science consultant, and adding vice principal to the leadership team.

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 5:53 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sarah Griffin