



Laureate Academy Charter School Board of Directors

Minutes

August Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday August 28, 2024 at 4:30 PM

The matters listed are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair to be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may, in fact, be discussed. Other items not listed may be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. All agenda items are informational unless otherwise denoted, though all committee reports require a vote for acceptance. Unless otherwise stated due to COVID-19 precautions, the meeting will be held on the campus of the school (2115 Oakmere Drive Harvey, LA 70058).

Committee Members Present

Caitlyn Scales (remote), Claire Heckerman-Whitehead, Dr. Jahquille Ross

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

Monique Handy (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B.

Call the Meeting to Order

Dr. Jahquille Ross called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Laureate Academy Charter School Board of Directors to order on Wednesday Aug 28, 2024 at 4:45 PM.

C. Approve Minutes 05-29-24

Caitlyn Scales made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Meeting on 05-29-24.

Claire Heckerman-Whitehead seconded the motion.

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

II. Staffing for 24-25

A. Remaining Vacancies

1. 7th Grade Humanities - September 23rd
2. 6th Grade Math & STEM - September 11th
3. Social Worker - September 23rd
4. Interventionist Role - Open
5. In House Sub - Open

B. Reflection on Hiring Process

- Helpful in the moment. Increased capacity. Way too expensive.
- Caitlyn, Claire, & Dr. Ross can help coordinate.
- Helpful to get someone to screen resumes next hiring season.

III. Student Academic Data

A. 23-24 MAP Data

- See notes below in the MAP data section.

IV. Academic Goals for 24-25 School Year

A. DIBELS - Literacy (K-3rd)

- Data is not complete yet.

B. MAP Assessment

- Intervention supports needed for the following: 3rd grade (ELA), 4th grade (ELA), and 6th grade (ELA), & 8th Grade (ELA)
- Moved from 44th to 47th percentile in Math. Lots of growth from Winter to BOY. Above average.

- Intervention support needed for 5th, 6th, and 8th grades in the area of Math.
- Intervention support needed for 6th grade in the area of Science.

C. LEAP

- Decreased 2% overall mastery and advanced.
- Science -16%
- Math +1%
- ELA -2%
- No SS assessment during Spring 2024
- Focus on individual students - moving them from achievement groups
- Shift towards students doing more of the heavy lifting during lessons.

D. Teacher Evaluations

- Formal evaluations taking place twice a year (Fall & Spring).
- MAP, Laureate Values, & NIET (collective items for evaluation).
- Heavy focus on coaching throughout the year.

V. Next Meeting Agenda

A. Next Meeting

- Claire will send Dr. Ross the testing schedule for the school year to create remaining meetings for the school year.
- Schedule time to visit the schools (committee members)
- Growth data
- DIBELS data
- Quarter 1 interim data

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 5:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dr. Jahquille Ross

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