APPROVED

Laureate Academy Charter School Board of Directors

Minutes

July Academic Excellence Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday July 9, 2025 at 2:30 PM

Location
Laureate Academy - 2115 Oakmere Dr, Harvey, LA 70058

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 COVDI-19 precautions, the meeting will be held on the campus of the school (2115 Oakmere Drive Harvey, LA 70058)

Committee Members Present
Dr. Jahquille Ross, Monique Handy

Committee Members Absent
Caitlyn Scales

Ex Officio Members Present
Claire Heckerman-Whitehead

Guests Present
Yann Colin

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 Jul 9, 2025 at 2:40 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

Monique Handy made a motion to Approve the minutes from the June Academic Excellence Committee meeting.
Dr. Jahquille Ross seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Teacher Related Updates

A. Hiring Needs for 25-26 School Year

- 2nd grade teacher
- 6th grade Humanities - offer out
- Speech Therapist - exploring virtual options
- Paraprofessionals

B. End of Year Staff Survey - Results

- 15 responses
- Data Analysis will come in next meeting for board to give feedback.

C. Teacher Certification Scholarships

- Pay more than $2,500 if a teacher wants to do more than one certification area. Most likely SPED certifications due to the shortage area locally and nationally.
- We have three applicants interested in receiving scholarship funding for the upcoming school year.
    - 2 Elementary and SPED
    - 1 Middle School Math
- There are more interest in this program from at least 2-3 educators.

D. On-going PD & Coaching Plan for Teachers 25-26

Levers:

- Weekly Data Meetings (1:1)

- Practice Clinics (Weekly during PLC time)
- Routines & Procedures

Leadership

- Success For All - need to make a final call
- Relay
  - YC/CHW → Full program
  - Other leaders → Virtual

Math:

- Eureka Squared Scheduled

ELA:

- CKLA Scheduled
- EL - virtual and hoping to work with Jessica Martin
- Amplify trainers scheduled for summer
- STEM Library Lab partnership for ongoing Science-specific training on inquiry-based learning

Social Studies

- Gallopade booked, but minimal

Success for All

- Possibility of going with them for SEL instruction this year.

III. Student Assessment Data

A. LEAP Results

- 3% Mastery+ Growth in all subject areas
- 2-3 Points of Growth for students in subgroups (Black, ED, SPED, etc.)
- High Growth Gains Across Subjects
- 4th & 8th Grade - ELA
- 3rd, 5th, & 8th - Math
- 4th, 5th, 7th - Science

IV. Other

A. Interim Support Plan for Special Education Dept.

N/A - A person has been hired.

V. Idenification of Next Steps

A. Decide on Next Meeting Date

- Wednesday, August 20th at 4:30 PM

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 4:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dr. Jahquille Ross

College Starts in Kindergarten