



Bridge Preparatory Charter School

Minutes

Academic Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday September 8, 2020 at 6:25 PM

Location

Dial In 701-802-5114

Pass code 5094595#

Due to a school-level family meeting, our Academic Committee meeting has to be pushed back to 6:25 p.m., and will conclude at 7:25 p.m. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Committee Members Present

Maria Casale (remote), Mary Petrone (remote), Rose Kerr (remote), Tim Castanza (remote)

Committee Members Absent

Amy Margolis, Steve Cucchia

Guests Present

Alayna Quattrocchi (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

Steve Cucchia-excused

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Rose Kerr called a meeting of the Academic Committee Committee of Bridge Preparatory Charter School to order on Tuesday Sep 8, 2020 at 6:35 PM.

C.

Approve Minutes

Rose Kerr made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Committee Meeting on 08-11-20.

Mary Petrone seconded the motion.

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

II. Academic

A. Re-Opening Status

- Opening operations, planning and scheduling on target for 9/9 all-remote opening coupled with 9/22 blended model.
- NYC DOE busing has been allocated and is in the process of being scheduled. This remains one of the most difficult challenges we face as a school; especially since it is not within our direct capacity to influence.
- OG baseline assessments have been administered. These initial will be utilized internally, within student cohorts for leveling, RTI interventions, and student progress monitoring for further intervention, reporting to families and BOT.
- Staff development sessions have been completed including OG, Special Ed. and COVID-readiness topics delivered by school admin. and OG consultants.
- It was recommended that a short feedback form be completed by participants of PD sessions to inform relevancy and future content. Also, all materials, and agendas be maintained for audits and further reference.

B. Remote Learning- Related topics

- It was reported that the family input was positive, and most were "ready to go" during a family session that was conducted directly prior to this AC meeting . There are still families that have questions regarding the remote opening of the school on 9/9 (mostly families of special ed. students). BP staff is reaching out to help families with this, especially in this time of uncertainty.
- Currently, 60-65% of the families have opted for blended learning; 35-40% fully remote.
- School staff has been in contact with almost all families, and have a full-on effort to ensure BP is in contact with the families of each and every child in our school. There are a few families that require extensive outreach.

III. Other Business

A. NYSED Annual Report, Enrollment, Seat Count Updates

- A concerning matter has surfaced since the sudden proclamation by the DOE that permit charges will apply to school schedules beyond 3 pm each day. There are at least two days a week in which these fees will apply to BP. Tim has addressed this with NYS and NYC DOE, and the NYC Charter Center. We await further advisement. The financial exposure will not be insignificant, if this matter is upheld.

- The current enrollment is stable, and we maintain a waitlist.
- There will be a staff handbook appendix reviewed with the AC by next meeting.

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 7:32 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rose Kerr