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Cirrus Education Group

Minutes

CEG - Academic Committee Meeting

Date and Time
Monday September 28, 2026 at 11:00 AM

Location
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89220676131?pwd=utqr9FSbaaahoaCCfffCWf1P68n6Hd.1

Committee Members Present
L. Golphin (remote), R. Finley (remote), S. Kelly (remote)

Committee Members Absent
L. Taylor, T. Olagunju

Guests Present
Alison Bass (remote), Arleen Samuels (remote), B. Williams (remote), Brenda Edwards (remote), Diane Freeman (remote), N. Brinson (remote), Nyla Thornton (remote), Sonja Riley (remote), Wendy Brinson-Grimes (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

R. Finley called a meeting of the Academic Committee of Cirrus Education Group to order on Monday Sep 28, 2026 at 11:07 AM.

B. Record Attendance

C.

Approve Agenda

S. Kelly made a motion to Approve Agenda.
L. Golphin seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Approval of Minutes from 8/6/26

S. Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes from CEG - Academic Committee Meeting on 08-06-26.
L. Golphin seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Academic

A. Assessment Data Analysis

Presenter: Dr. Nyla Thornton

- Reading and math declared school-wide priorities; only 7% of scholars were proficient in reading on last year's Milestones
- Numerical reasoning is the weakest math domain across grades 3, 7, and 8
- Grade 5 has the highest concentration of beginning-level learners
- 17 eighth graders enrolled in dual enrollment at Central Georgia Technical College (Rising Scholars Early College Academy); Accuplacer exam in October
- After-school program serves 48 scholars (40 gen ed, 8 SPED) focused on developing-to-proficient growth
- Next DRC Beacon: December 7–11, 2026

B. Attendance

- Current enrollment: 513 scholars
- Grade-level attendance breakdown to be provided at next meeting pending Infinite Campus system update

III. Updates

A. Updates

- **Grants:** $100,000 tutoring grant (SESC) and $10,000 grant received; $110,000 total toward $250,000 goal
- **SCSC Visit (Sept. 15):** Passed facilities and records room inspection — no corrective actions
- **SESC Renewal Walkthrough:** Oct. 20 — blackout date; all staff and scholars required

- **Upcoming Visits:** Bibb County Superintendent Dan Sims, Oct. 29 (potential partnership); DeKalb Brilliance Academy peer observation, Oct. 19 (PD day)
- **Compliance (Sept. 30 deadline):** All EPIC portal items on track; one conflict of interest signature pending (Ms. Goffin)
- **Grievance Policy:** Title updates only (Head of School → CEO; Director of Compliance → Principal); redlined version sent Sept. 24; board to review; Attorney Forreston to facilitate work session if needed

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 1:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
N. Brinson