



Seaside School, Inc

Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday June 4, 2026 at 4:00 PM

Location

Seacoast Collegiate High School

Founded in 1996

Serving Students in Grades 5 - 12

As an arm of the Board, we seek to sustain an educational community where an emphasis on academic excellence is complemented by our concern for each learner's personal growth and intellectual, aesthetic, and psychological development. The curriculum is developmentally responsive – actively engaging students in learning skills in context; integrative – directing students to connect learning to daily lives; and exploratory – enabling students to discover their abilities, interests, learning styles, and ways that they can make contributions to society.

The Academic Excellence Committee's role is strategic oversight of academic outcomes — student proficiency, intervention effectiveness, and goal achievement. We do not exercise operational authority over curriculum, instructional materials, or day-to-day educational decisions. Those responsibilities rest with the Executive Director and the administration, within the framework of state, county, and board-approved guidelines.

Information on procedures for public comment can be found on our Governance Page.
([Click Here](#))

If anyone needs special assistance to participate in the public input session, every effort will be made to provide appropriate accommodation. When requesting accommodations for public input, please allow no less than 1 business day notice prior to the scheduled meeting.

Specific issues about a particular student should only be addressed to the school's Director of Student Services, rather than the Board of Directors.

Link for online participation: <https://meet.google.com/xmf-igfk-gkj>

Committee Members Present

C. Cerise, C. Fail, D. Hahn, J. O'Donoghue (remote), K. Sandoe

Committee Members Absent

M. Harrison

Guests Present

C. Brigman, Liz Branch

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Sandoe called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee Committee of Seaside School, Inc to order on Thursday Jun 4, 2026 at 4:09 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

C. Cerise made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 03-26-26.

D. Hahn seconded the motion.

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

II. Academic Excellence Committee

A. Year-end Review

Kevin elaborated on the submitted packet and the need to review goals for next school year.

Mrs. Fail recommended tracking student class year-over-year as opposed to comparing them to the grade data from the year prior.

School staff noted the lack of data for incoming 5th graders and 9th graders, which delayed identification and implementation of interventions.

5th and 9th grade screeners will be in place to be able to identify needs quickly for the upcoming school year.

SNS - biggest asset is staff, support and stability; biggest challenge is red tape and organization

SC - biggest asset is staff dedication and willingness to adapt; biggest challenge is overcoming change

Kevin elaborated on the submitted packet and the need to review goals for next school year.

B. Administrative Update

C. CTE Advisory Committee meeting

Bi-annual CTE Advisory Committee meeting -
Conducted by Courtney Fail

***Documents to follow**

Handbook updates needed - up-to-date certification list and expanding certifications

D. Strategic Opportunities

Addition of classes for both advanced students and remedial students.

K12 liftoff offers more comprehensive data 3x per year

E. Vote Items

D. Hahn made a motion to approve the Spanish textbook for middle and high school, Reporteros Florida, for adoption by the Seaside School Board.

J. O'Donoghue seconded the motion.

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

D. Hahn made a motion to approve the use of the Carl Hiaasen series for the Ecology curriculum and recommend for adoption by the Seaside School Board.

C. Cerise seconded the motion.

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

D. Hahn made a motion to approve AMSCO Advanced Placement World History: Modern for ninth grade history and recommend for adoption by the Seaside School Board.

J. O'Donoghue seconded the motion.

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

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 5:21 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
C. Cerise