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BEATRICE MAYES INSTITUTE

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Beatrice Mayes Institute

Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee Regular Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday October 13, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Location

BMI - Middle School Science Room

Committee Members Present

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

A. Berry, Ed.D., A. Patton, B. Foster, C. Mayes, C. Pipkin, C. Simpson, D. Johnson, J. Greenberg

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

A. Berry, Ed.D. called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Beatrice Mayes Institute to order on Thursday Oct 13, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from Joe Greenberg Academic Excellence Committee Regular Meeting on 09-08-22.

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

II. Reports

A. Elementary School Update

Finished BOY Amplify testing

Based upon BOY MAP data, focus needs to be on 4th and 5th grade math

Emphasis on 3rd grade because it is their 1st year testing and students are currently performing well and we want to continue to push them to exceed

Simpson and Johnson meet to collaborate with providing support to 1st-5th ELAR

1st face- to face field trip tomorrow: Elementary- Oil Ranch and Middle school- I-Fly

PD for October 21, 2022- going over the detailed, in depth restructuring of the STAAR test for ELAR (Simpson) and Math/Science (Patton)

Character building every 4th Thursday for all students

5th and 6th graders meet weekly with Depelchin counselors

4th/5th graders meet weekly with PALS

Still in need of TA's (paid position for adults)

Math programs that could be used to support with filling the foundational gaps

Get More Math- pilot program uses last year

IXL & Khan academy (free)- Recommendation from Patton

ST Math is a free recommendation from Christina

We need a science-based, vetted program

B. Middle School Update

1. First Field Trip-I-Fly
2. Search for Middle School Science Teacher continues
3. Upcoming Middle School Science Fair
4. MAP data is being reviewed currently by Ms. Patton

Data Update- Ms. Patton

MAP Testing

5th/7th Grade Math-Areas of Concern

36%/37% (including approaches level)

The bulk of students are in the approaching grade level status.

If we are removing students who are approaching grade level, then we are in a dangerous position in terms of achievement outcomes.

Reading lowest score based upon MAP data is 4th grade level.

Many children in 5th Reading are in the approaches area.

ST Math is free until December, 2023 for math support. This is a recommendation for elementary math. It is a math program that focuses on foundational math.

We need to ensure the programs we implement have scientific validation to support student growth.

Patton's recommendation was IXL & Khan Academy.

C. CAO's Update

D. Johnson's Report

There are weekly Academic Meetings on Mondays at 1:00 pm.

Currently, the Academic Team is focusing on the Star Redesign Professional Development Training taking place on Friday, October 21, 2022.

We are implementing new onsite training for teachers. Mrs. Patton will host monthly data training meetings for all departments.

Mrs. Patton will also be formulating a schedule to begin specialized tutorials on October 24th for exceptional students.

Special Education

The Special education team holds Weekly meetings.

Currently, the special education team is In search of a speech contractor.

In addition, we are preparing students for 1st benchmark.

III. Unfinished Business

A.

Annual Board Training Update

Saturday, October 22, 2022 8 am-12 pm the board will have a mandatory training session.

This event is optional for committee team members.

Slides were sent to Mrs. Johnson by Dr. Berry to discuss state specific items, benchmark and assessment, curriculum and instruction.

The purpose is for the board to get an update on the plans currently in place.

B. ProUnitas - Purple

Motion by C. Mayes to recommend Purple to the board for purchase. Patton seconded.

The motion passed without a discussion.

Motion to Recommend Purple for purchase.

None

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

C. Developing a Culture of Inclusion

D. Faculty Professional Learning Update

Ms. D. Johnson will share the professional development spreadsheet with staff on October 24th

Ms. D. Johnson is also preparing the budgetary request for Professional Development.

A framework will be added within the notes from Ms. D. Johnson.

E. Academics: Current & Future State

SMART goals creation

Board on track to input our SMART goals for the committee

Everyone to add goals

We will vote on these next meeting

Everyone to review the posted goals and choose the ones that resonates most with you

After SMART goals we can revisit the AEC mission and purpose

IV. Closing Items

A.

Set place & time for next meeting

Next Meeting:

Thursday November 10th (virtual) @ 5:00 pm

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:46 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. Simpson