

# KIPP Memphis Public Schools

## Minutes

### Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Tuesday September 6, 2022 at 4:30 PM

#### Location

Virtual - Zoom

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#### Committee Members Present

C. Green (remote), H. Coleman (remote), S. Isabell (remote), T. Palacio (remote)

#### Committee Members Absent

A. Schuyler, D. Lyles-Wallace, M. Davis

#### Guests Present

A. Burt (remote), J. Ward-Gill (remote), J. Worles (remote), K. Durham (remote), L. Brooks (remote), L. Tate (remote)

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

C. Green called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of KIPP Memphis Public Schools to order on Tuesday Sep 6, 2022 at 4:38 PM.

#### C. Approve Minutes

S. Isabell made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 05-23-22.

C. Green seconded the motion.

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

### II. Academic Excellence Presentation

#### A.

## Chief Brooks presented the Academic Excellence Presentation to the Committee

### • **TN Ready Performance and Goals**

- TN Ready assessments measure a student's skills in English-Language Arts, math, science, and social studies in grades 6 - 8, ELA, mathematics, and science for grades 3- 5.
  - Chief Brooks discussed the tracking data for TN Ready ELA, Math, and Science over the last three years (2019 to 2022) for KMCE, KMCM, KMAM, and KMCH.
  - Chief Brooks discussed the TN Ready 2022-23 Goals for KMCE, KMAM/KMCM, and KMCH

### • **KMPS TVASS (Tennessee Value-Added Assessment System)**

- Tennessee value-added assessment is used to determine the amount of academic growth students make from year to year. The "growth scores" are then used to generate a score for the teachers and schools. Chief Brooks gave an overview of the scores for KMAE, KMCE, KMCM, KMAM, and KMCH

### • **Enrollment Updates**

- Chief Brooks discussed the Budgeted, Current Enrollment, and Percent of Budgeted Enrollment for KMCE, KMCM, KMAM, and KMCH.

### • **iReady Results Fall Benchmark**

- iReady is an online program for Reading and Mathematics that will help our KMPS teachers determine KIPPsters' needs, personalize their learning, and monitor progress throughout the school year. Dr. Tate gave an overview of the iReady ELA, and iReady Math for the overall grade-level placement.

### • **2022-2023 Academic Programming**

- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics)
  - Keith Booker is the new KIPP STEM Director. Projects that Mr. Booker is currently working on are as follows:
    - **Community Service Project:** During Q1, the STEM students will participate in a community service project with the Wolf River Conservancy.
    - **STEM Night:** At the end of each quarter, each campus will host STEM Night for parents and community partners. Henry Campus - Tuesday, October 4th, and Howell Campus, Thursday, October 6th.
    - **UT Knoxville Engineers Day:** For the first time, twelve students from KMCH will represent KIPP at the event sponsored by the UTK College of Engineering on October 26-27, 2022.
- **Special Populations**
  - Jenae Hunt-Moore is the new Director of Special Populations. Ms. Hunt-Moore has completed a thorough audit of student records.

Special Populations have made commitments to supporting all of our KIPPsters through a Socio-Emotional Learning curriculum.

- **Dual Enrollment**

- KMPS is excited to offer Dual Enrollment for the first time in KMCH's history. KMPS Dual Enrollment partners are Bethel University and Tennessee State University.

- **AVID** (Advancement Via Individual Determination)

- AVID fosters a safe and open culture, high expectations for teachers and students, and collaboration in all classrooms. Chief Brooks gave an overview of the program for KMCE and the Middle and High schools.

- **KIPP Forward Highlights**

- Kimberly Durham, Director of KIPP Forward, gave an overview of the following:
  - Packing for the College 2022 event
  - Summer Campus Visits to Tennessee State University and Mississippi Valley
  - Upcoming KIPP Forward Events

### **III. Committee Questions**

#### **A. Questions from Committee Members**

Committee Member Dawson:

- What are the Goals for KIPP Memphis this year and how did you derive at them?
- What are KMPS thoughts on keeping in good standing with the KIPP Network overall?
- How do these types of goals compare with goals that other KIPP networks are deriving for their students who may be in a similar situation academically?
- What are the efforts being made and how the board could support enrollment?
- Can the enrollment data be added to the Academics slides?

Committee Chair Green:

- What does it look like to begin working with students on college-going habits and behaviors?

CEO Burt, Chief Brooks, and Ms. Durham answered and gave an overview of the questions.

### **IV. CEO Comments**

#### **A.**

## **Overview of Academic Committee Meeting**

CEO Burt

- Dr. Burt appreciates board member Dawson asking the questions. In the presentation, he noted that it's important for us when we are talking about goals. Always identify the starting point so the end user will understand that these goals are still very bold, audacious goals, and they're still keeping us on track in a 4 to 5-year period to be in the upper echelon.

CEO Burt continued with an overview of the Academic presentation.

## **V. Academic Excellence Chairperson Comments**

### **A. Committee Chair Green**

Committee Chair Green:

- Chair Green thanked each and every staff person who attended the meeting and even those who were not present that contributed to this day, to this presentation, to this information. This is all important information for us and definitely had some notable highlights, especially the questions around goals. And are they reasonable? Where are we trying to go? Definitely, we want to lift up the work that's being done.

Committee Chair Green continued with an overview summary of the Academic presentation.

## **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 5:38 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
J. Ward-Gill