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## Veritas Preparatory Charter School

### Minutes

#### Academic Achievement Committee Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Thursday June 14, 2018 at 8:00 AM

**Location**

Veritas Prep Charter School 1st Floor Conference Room or Dial-In Number: 866-848-2216,  
Conference Code: 7783935205, Leader Code: 2356

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**Committee Members Present**

D. Janes, E. Baecher, G. Moody, M. Sweet, R. Sela

**Committee Members Absent**

R. Romano

**Guests Present**

A. Clark, A. Martin

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**I. Opening Items****A. Record Attendance and Guests****B. Call the Meeting to Order**

R. Sela called a meeting of the Academic Achievement Committee of Veritas Preparatory Charter School to order on Thursday Jun 14, 2018 at 8:12 AM.

**C. Approve May Minutes**

M. Sweet made a motion to approve minutes from the Academic Achievement Committee Meeting on 05-10-18 with the change of Mr. Moody as attending remotely Academic Achievement Committee Meeting on 05-10-18.

R. Sela seconded the motion.

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

#### **D. Approve April Minutes**

M. Sweet made a motion to approve minutes from the Academic Achievement Committee Meeting on 04-12-18 Academic Achievement Committee Meeting on 04-12-18.

G. Moody seconded the motion.

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

#### **E. February Minutes**

The minutes from this meeting need to be edited.

### **II. Principal's Report**

#### **A. Curriculum update**

Ms. Baecher reported out on the role of content leads, a teacher leader position, in revising unit plans using a new template and working to develop their leadership skills to lead well-run team meetings. Ms. Baecher also reported out about changes to science and history standards. The school will use the new state history standards that have been released and content leads and the history department chair will help manage this change. The school will also begin to adopt the NGSS standards in science and content leads and the science department chair will help manage those school-wide curricular changes.

#### **B. Update on preliminary MCAS data**

Ms. Baecher reported on the timelines for when MCAS data will be released over the summer and how the content leads are using preliminary data to look for curriculum gaps and to inform revisions to the curriculum.

### **III. Update on New MA Accountability System**

#### **A. Key Changes from the Past**

Ms. Sela reviewed the new MA accountability indicators for schools that were released in March 2018. The key categories are achievement, student growth, English language proficiency, and absenteeism. There is a weighting of the lowest performing 50% of students and their growth will be weighted as half of the overall performance level for the school.

### **IV. Review of Parent Survey Data**

**A. Comparison of Data to Last Year's Parent Survey**

Ms. Maron reported out on parent survey data results of which 70% of parents responded. The data is rolled up by question and compared to last year when applicable. School leaders will use this data to inform priorities for next year.

**V. Hiring Updates**

**A. Hiring updates**

Ms. Baecher shared an update on where we are with staffing for next year.

**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 9:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
A. Martin