



# Veritas Preparatory Charter School

# Minutes

Academic Achievement Committee Meeting

**Date and Time** Thursday November 12, 2020 at 8:00 AM

Location Veritas Prep Charter School 1st Floor Conference Room or Zoom Dial-In Number: Join Zoom Meeting Ashley Martin is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

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## **Committee Members Present**

A. Clark (remote), A. Errichetti, A. Martin (remote), D. Janes (remote), G. Moody (remote), R. Sela (remote)

**Committee Members Absent** 

#### J. Crowell, R. Romano

#### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

#### C. Approve October Minutes

We attached the wrong minutes, so we will attach the October 2020 minutes next time.

#### **II. Academic Achievement**

#### A. Review of Committee Goals

Ms. Sela led the committee in reviewing the committee's goals for the school year. The goals are tied to our accountability plan and to items the school team finds helpful. Also, Ms. Sela reviewed the year long calendar of agenda items and data to review in this committee. The committee discussed the relationship between goals 2 and 3 and how the middle school curriculum and the high school curriculum are related. Lastly, Ms. Doherty shared some reflections about how the role and intent of the academic achievement committee is not just to monitor these goals, but to hold a bar for quality implementation.

#### **B.** Accountability Report

Ms. Clark gave background on how these goals were written in 2017. We write these accountability goals for ourselves as part of our charter autonomy, so we wrote them to really hold ourselves accountable to what we value as a school. As a charter school we also have another set of metrics that the state gives to every school in the state--both charter and district--to meet. She explained which goals she would report out on at different points in the year. The committee discussed the coaching goal and the role of coaching in the larger education context.

### C. Remote Learning Update

Ms. Clark shared that the overall yearly total or average attendance prior to remote learning last year was around 94%. Currently, in remote learning, our average daily attendance is around 97%. Average daily attendance is based on the state guideline around students attending 50% or more of the school day. Internally, we are also tracking students who attend 100% of classes each day. Ms. Martin shared that we are watching Springfield metrics in order to bring a small group of students who are struggling the most with attendance in person.

### D. Tiered Academic Supports Update

Ms. Martin gave background on how the DCAP that the board just voted on outlines a universal screener or initial beginning of the year assessment to guide intervention work. We administered MAP growth assessment recently to better target students' needs for interventions.

#### **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 9:07 AM.

Respectfully Submitted, A. Martin

#### Documents used during the meeting

- Academic Achievement Committee SY20-21 Goals.docx.pdf
- Accountability Plan\_ 2017-2022 (1).pdf
- AA Committee Data November 2020.pdf
- family-guide-to-map-growth.pdf