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## Eno River Academy

# Minutes

## February Academic Committee Meeting

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### Date and Time

Tuesday February 17, 2026 at 9:00 AM

### Location

Location

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9142718917>

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### Committee Members Present

Lindsey Sealy (remote), Margaret Barr (remote), Megan Shepherd-Banigan (remote), Pamela Norcross (remote)

### Committee Members Absent

Charlotte Dungan

### Guests Present

Kristin Martin (remote), Michael Brown (remote)

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## I. Opening Items

### A. Record Attendance

### B. Call the Meeting to Order

Margaret Barr called a meeting of the Academic Committee Committee of Eno River Academy to order on Tuesday Feb 17, 2026 at 9:03 AM.

### C. Approve Minutes

Margaret Barr made a motion to approve the minutes from January AC Monthly Meeting on 01-13-26.

Pamela Norcross seconded the motion.

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

## II. Academic Committee

### A. Middle School Schedule

Kristin gave brief overview and then Amber Coburn and Pamela Harkey discussed

- MS schedule been same for long time, been lots of changes in MS in last 5 years. MS schedule no longer able to meet goals of MS anymore
- Went over MS document. Current MS schedule issues to address:
  - Services: students needing services for example population of students needing services has increased. Currently schedule does not allow those services to be provided as needed,
  - Middle School teacher loss- schedule not as conducive to enrichment
  - Transition from MS to HS schedule more difficult.
  - Equity in team
- What is a better schedule:
  - Compared other MS schedules across state
  - Developed outline that supports students and teachers better
  - Went over in detail what this would look like
- Downsides
  - Need 3 more teachers, would share classroom space
  - Have to split A/B Days with Science and Social Studies
- Discussion post presentation
  - Would get 44 extra hours in Math and ELA
  - Need extra 1 ELA teacher, 6th grade Social studies, need extra PE teacher
  - Question/Answer time
  - Next steps finance committee for 3 more teachers, then possibly back to our committee, then take to board.

### B. AI Policy

Lindsey presented AI policy

- Lindsey, Mr. Jewitt, Charlotte met to discuss with AI policy
- Sent out surveys and data to help create an AI guidelines policy moving forward
- Next steps: training, staff volunteers, guidance from NCDPI, colleges, other schools

### C.

### **STEM School of Distinction**

Pamela- Based on a NC STEM of Distinction Rubric that Dave Nagel sent out., for next meeting pre-read this document

- What STEM school of distinction means and how to get there
- Discuss more in-depth how this integrates into whole curriculum.
- What are we offering and how are we offering it? Get baseline and then figure out how to incorporate some of this into curriculum.

### **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 10:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Margaret Barr