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Urban Montessori Charter School

Minutes

Academic Oversight Committee Regular Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday February 8, 2022 at 3:45 PM

Location

4551 Steele Street, Oakland, CA 94619. Signage on campus will direct you to the correct room, generally the Sun Room.

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Members: Jan Faraguna (chair), Kara Fortuna, Sarah Morrill

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Committee Members Present

J. Faraguna (remote), K. Fortuna (remote)

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

K. Feeney, S. Morrill

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Faraguna called a meeting of the Academic Oversight Committee of Urban Montessori Charter School to order on Tuesday Feb 8, 2022 at 3:50 PM.

B. Record Attendance

C.

Approve Minutes from Prior Meeting

K. Fortuna made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Oversight Committee Regular Meeting on 01-11-22.

J. Faraguna seconded the motion.

Sarah Morrill also voted yes

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

Roll Call

J. Faraguna Aye

K. Fortuna Aye

D. Vote on updated Committee Calendar and Meeting Time

No voted needed, remains same time for March, will revisit at next meeting.

E. Review of Action/Discussion Items

None

F. Presentations from the Floor

no public present

II. Academic Oversight

A. Instructional Updates

Attendance-

Attendance has been slightly better, Jan was bad ~80%. Anecdotal has been better, decrease in # of positive tests. Many people testing on Friday. State maybe allowing changes on funding re: ADA in charters that is already happening for districts- this would be positive.

Have major chronic absences- some kids that didn't come back, working on communication to understand if there is intention to return or not.

Staff absences have improved, but Mon/Fri is still having a lot of call outs. Auditing PTO and letting people know when absences will be unpaid based on PTO balance.

Coaching has been minimal based on staffing challenges. Discussing how to make sure that still happens when Daniel is in classroom regularly.

Suspensions this year- 4 students at this point, last year was 0. Happening when called for via ed code.

NWEA update

2/3- 73% of S tested in Math, 86% in Reading. Some completion gaps with Black and Latino students, to be completed (attendance impacting completion). Will extend to 2/17 for administration given attendance challenges. PD day on 2/18 can be day for data to be rolled up.

Panorama (SEL screen) open on 2/18 and run through conference week and do it again in May. Wondering if we need to do at end of the year- may want prioritize intent to return at end of year.

B. Updates on Charter Revision Process

Needed because enrollment was off by >10%, 351 393

Many other charters doing the same b/c of decline enrollment

Have adjusted budget as a result.

Have kept all classes open this year to promote health/safety in COVID

Application numbers are up from previous year (45 TK, ~90 of K)

If up to 50 TK, make all offers.

Revision in final review phase.

ACOE will hold public hearing in March meeting and then vote at the next meeting. Most schools are doing it, seems like moving through.

III. Closing Items

A. Topics for next meeting

Might have panorama data- likely student and staff, potentially not community

Staff retention data and hiring discussion

Middle school check-in

April- SBAC testing administration plan

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
S. Morrill

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