



# Urban Montessori Charter School

# Minutes

Academic Oversight Committee Regular Meeting

# **Date and Time**

Thursday April 14, 2022 at 11:30 AM

# 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, Donald Williams

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#### **Committee Members Present**

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

#### **Committee Members Absent**

D. Williams

#### **Guests Present**

D. Bissonnette

## 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 Thursday Apr 14, 2022 at 11:33 AM.

#### **B. Record Attendance**

С.

#### **Review of Action/Discussion Items**

No changes.

### D. Presentations from the Floor

None.

## E. Approve Minutes from Prior Meeting

J. Faraguna made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Oversight Committee Regular Meeting on 03-08-22.

K. Fortuna seconded the motion.

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

## F. Vote on updated Committee Calendar and Meeting Time

Tabled, not needed.

#### II. Academic Oversight

## A. Instructional Updates

#### Assessments

- Identified students to retest NWEA through coaching with teachers currently setting up and hope to begin next week.
- Setting up for State testing; planning to happen first three weeks of May
- Question on family communication plan: Communication to families will happen in weekly updates
- Question on practice tests: Will do practice tests soon in auditorium space.

Other Instructional Updates

- Starting transition process from Primary and 3rd grade to next level. Process is to create a snapshot of each transitioning student and determining best placement. Family night about this prior to spring break.
- Part of this process is also setting up student portfolios; being built in coaching meetings with Daniel and teachers.
- Jan: glad that portfolios are being started. Is there an opportunity for families to respond of provide feedback? Beginning of the year will be the best time for that.
- Middle school health curriculum: reaching out to contractors but not having much response. Previously have done it in house but attempting to take it off teachers workload.

Panorama survey results

- 74% student response rate, 20% family feedback (ok compared to past)
- student: 3rd & 4th, 7th & 8th grade results are higher; upper el is trending lower than previously.
- drop in sense of safety for hispanic students.
- staff: drop in sense of safety in white staff and newer staff; increase in other groups; increase in leadership results
- family:all slightly down. communication: sense of admin communication up; understanding student's learning goals is down.
- discussion around comparison to last year when in distance learning might not be the most helpful. would like to look at spring or fall 2019
- wider range of groups responded; usually primarily white families that respond
- followup: what are next steps/follow up with families/students?

# B. 2021-2022 LCAP Review to inform 2022-2023 LCAP Development

no update. outreach happening at ELAC and FC meetings.

## C. School Academic Policies

EL policy: mostly changes cosmetic. questions around reclassification piece. Last year, NWEA was only data point; didn't reclassify anyone last year. Add Diebels as a second data point for younger students?

Other policies we need to look at? will look at and follow up with Daniel.

## **III. Closing Items**

# A. Topics for next meeting

Other polices to review LCAP Update on SBAC Update on NWEA Curriculum changes being considered through 22-23 Update on Middle school - continuing with amplify?

June meeting: other measures of growth and progress

# B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, J. Faraguna THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

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