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## Urban Montessori Charter School

### Minutes

#### Academic Oversight Committee Regular Meeting

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##### **Date and Time**

Thursday September 8, 2022 at 4:00 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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Oakland, CA 94605

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### **Committee Members Present**

D. Williams (remote), K. Fortuna (remote)

### **Committee Members Absent**

*None*

### **Guests Present**

D. Bissonnette, K. Feeney

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Call the Meeting to Order**

### **B. Record Attendance**

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

### **D. Presentations from the Floor**

### **E. Vote on Minutes from Prior Meeting**

D. Williams made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Oversight Committee Regular Meeting on 06-09-22.

K. Fortuna seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Academic Oversight**

### **A. Instructional Updates**

Summer cohort training continues - they meet once a week to talk about how to support through the year.

Elizabeth Slade from Public Montessori in Action observed classrooms to gather data on student engagement and the amount of Montessori materials that are out - both items are much higher this year than last fall. Last year: 30-40%; this year 70%.

Started diebels assessments, first round will be done in next few weeks. NWEA will start in the next few weeks. Changed schedule to have NWEA at the start and end of the year and move SBAC to mid year - February to allow end of year NWEA results to reflect more accurate levels.

Supporting training and implementation of nautilus and child study. Meeting as levels 2x month to share strategies to support students in classroom. Takeaway is that we need to get teacher/student conferences started.

Ms. Jess is starting social emotional screener, will adjust counseling groups to support students.

## **B. Update on Spring SBAC Testing**

We have had individual student data for a while, but the state hasn't aggregated it yet. Mr. Buck has been working on it. Numbers shared but no meaningful comparisons can be made with previous data since SBAC hasn't been administered since spring 2019. Some comparisons can be made to OUSD data when it is shared in Oct/Nov on the state dashboard.

In terms of data collection, we are looking at other more meaningful data points to track than standardized testing, for example, transparent classroom info re the number of lessons taken and observations, data from Elizabeth Slade etc.

## **III. Closing Items**

### **A. Topics for next meeting**

Start of year attendance

Qualitative updates on coaching pieces, including data from Elizabeth Slade's visit.

### **B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:27 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
K. Fortuna

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