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Minutes

CVCS Board Academic Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Monday September 11, 2017 at 6:00 PM

Location

38 South Peoria Street - Room 203 - Dial-in: 888-824-5783, Code: 472 54 033 Please use the following hyperlink for remote access to the live presentations <https://www.gotomeet.me/CVCS>

Committee Members Present

A. Berg, A. Richardson-Bryant, L. Kelly, L. Milton, M. Lewellen, S. Harkins

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

F. Jenkins, R. Lebron, S. Berger

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

- A Committee quorum is present

B. Call the Meeting to Order

S. Harkins called a meeting of the Academic committee of Chicago Virtual Charter School to order on Monday Sep 11, 2017 @ 6:15 PM at 38 South Peoria Street - Room 203 - Dial-in: 888-824-5783, Code: 472 54 033 Please use the following hyperlink for remote access to the live presentations <https://www.gotomeet.me/CVCS>.

C. Comments on Agenda

- None

D. Approve Agenda

A. Berg made a motion to accept the agenda.

L. Milton seconded the motion.

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

II. Academic

A. Spring 2017 NWEA Results

- R. Lebron presented NWEA test results
- The importance of the tests must be communicated in the future
- Direct instructional time is being increased this year
- Demographic data is not yet available
- The Committee would like to see a month to month progress report on interventions and the results of those interventions
- This can assure the Committee that the kinds of interventions that need to be taking place are taking place
- An intervention strategy beyond increasing learning time needs to be in place
- Management will present a proposed sample which will show the progress and results of the interventions
- There should be a comparison to other charter schools
- The intent of the monthly strategy report is to demonstrate progress for interventions
- Administration should report on engagement in intervention strategy and report upon the success of those interventions
- Administration needs to identify whether the problems are within the curriculum system or whether the problems are within the instructional system

A. Berg made a motion to designate R. Lebron to create a monthly report that show the solutions being pursued to address regarding structural achievement.

L. Milton seconded the motion.

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

L. Milton made a motion to disaggregate the data into subgroups for a comprehensive picture of the school's performance to other groups when the data is available.

M. Lewellen seconded the motion.

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

- This item should be discussed at the full Board meeting on September 27th

B. Increased Direct-Synchronous Instructional Time

- Class Connect Instructional time will be increased for all grades
- A certified physical education instructor will be providing instructional time

C. Star 360 Research

- There is not a great deal of research about Star 360 because it is a part of a suite of components

- Correlations to state assessments from the research were presented
- The Committee had requested peer reviews of Star 360
- There is not a proposal at this to replace the current NWEA system with Star 360
- An assessment plan needs to include: philosophy, methodology, research and results
- Star 360 may be considered in the planning process for the next school year
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L. Kelly made a motion to request management to present a comprehensive overall assessment plan including supporting peer review research on applicability to all grade levels and content areas.

L. Milton seconded the motion.

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

D. Graduation/Dropout Rates

- F. Jenkins presented school 2016-2017 comparative graduation and dropout rates
- Dropout rates include students who leave the school and do not graduate
- This data factors into the SQRP score
- It would be useful in the future that a narrative with an analysis be presented with the data

III. Closing Items

A. Public Comments

- A special call meeting may need to be held on October 5th at 6:00 to review the audit report in case it is not available for the September 27th Board meeting
- Two learning coaches commented on the D2L system performance data and learning coach collaboration with the teachers
- More time will be allocated for teachers to collaborate with learning coaches
- Collaboration between learning coaches and teachers is essential

B. Adjourn Meeting

L. Milton made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

M. Lewellen seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
F. Jenkins