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**CHICAGO**  
VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL<sup>SM</sup>

## Chicago Virtual Charter School

### Minutes

#### Academic Committee Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Tuesday November 21, 2017 at 6:00 PM

**Location**

38 S. Peoria, Chicago, IL , Polk Hall- 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>

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**Committee Members Present**

A. Richardson-Bryant, L. Kelly, L. Milton, M. Lewellen (remote), S. Harkins

**Committee Members Absent**

*None*

**Guests Present**

F. Jenkins, James Hhyu, K12, Jeanna Pignatiello, K12, Jennifer Sims, K12, Kevin Chavous, K12, R. Lebron, S. Berger (remote)

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**I. Opening Items****A. Record Attendance and Guests****B. Call the Meeting to Order**

S. Harkins called a meeting of the Academic committee of Chicago Virtual Charter School to order on Tuesday Nov 21, 2017 @ 6:00 PM at 38 S. Peoria, Chicago, IL , Polk Hall- 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**

L. Milton made a motion to Approve the agenda.

A. Richardson-Bryant seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Academic**

### **A. School Year 2017-2018 1st Quarter Progress Report**

- F. Jenkins presented the 1st quarter school year 2017-2018 academic progress report for grades 9 through 12
- The performance curve is inverted
- Physical education grade performance was less than expected
- The Committee would like to see the courses taken in terms of various sub-groups
- The Head of School will provide course descriptions
- A distribution by grades will be prepared
- There may be a correlation between attendance and performance
- A one page analysis should be presented by administration at the full Board meeting at the end of the quarter
- The data should be reviewed a few years back for trend data

### **B. School Year SQRP Results**

- R. Lebron presented SQRP results
- The ACT test will no longer be used as a component
- We are rated as a Level 2 school from level 2+ last year
- Our stated goal is to achieve a level 1
- Attendance accounted for 40% of the metrics
- Management can provide additional information about interventions
- Data should be presented in February or March on how many intervention contacts were made and attendance
- The attendance rate needs to be at 95% not 76%
- Lobbying opportunities may be pursued to change the attendance requirements
- The 5 essentials survey response rates declined
- Advance notice will be given for the next surveys

### **C. K12 Presentation**

- The K12 national team presented points and directed questions
- NWEA testing analysis will be improved
- A skills tracker will be provided for teachers
- K12 is confident that NWEA scores can be raised
- Standardized, objective Proficiency reporting will be added
- A graduation path tool will be released within the next few weeks
- Potential school leadership reorganization is being explored
- K12 has a multiyear plan for major updates for its curriculum
- There will be new adaptive processes next year
- There will be an additional 95 base courses
- A LearnX player will be introduced
- There will be more customization in platforms for teachers

- An adaptive solution called scribe will be introduced in 2018 - 2019 school year
- It is an adaptive game format
- the LearnX player will be used across the board
- New courses will be rolled out in 2019 with content upgrades
- Teachers will be able to customize courses and schedules
- K12 will provide financial flexibility
- CVCS currently has over \$3 million in deficits that K12 will take off of the books
- K12 offers to build a surplus of 5% over a three year period
- K12 will offer new materials each year with storage for them
- The school is interested in Verbella software and K12 will support the innovation
- The longer students are with K12 the better they do
- K12 invites the Board to visit Herndon
- K12 will submit a proposal for the Board to review
- There has been a discrepancy between scores and test results on a unit to unit basis
- Assessments will be delivered with learnocity
- Social emotional learning products are available
- Illinois has social emotional standards
- K12 is aware that the past focus is outdated
- The proposed contract renewal is for 5 years
- The FY 17 deficit was believed to already forgiven
- Materials should be optional for students
- Curriculum changes should not affect the charter
- K12 recommends that the Board form a Committee to negotiate
- There needs to be more marketing for CVCS and not K12
- K12 and the Board are in sync with ultimate goals and should not be held hostage by the history
- The future of CVCS matters to K12

### III. Closing Items

#### A. Public Comments

- None

#### B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

F. Jenkins

A. Richardson-Bryant made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

L. Milton seconded the motion.

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