

Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes
The Experiential School of Greensboro
February 2nd, 2023
4:00 pm
Virtual/Zoom (details below)

In attendance: Leila Villaverde, Carl Lashley, Roy Carter, Tinisha Shaw, Beth Meyer and Jenny Gundersdorff.

Approval of Agenda: Leila Villaverde asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Beth Meyer made the motion, Jenny Gundersdorff second, motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: none

Public Comment: none

New Business:

1. Curriculum updates, yearly/trimester check in: Leila Villaverde posed the following questions to frame our discussion:
 - How are we addressing the integration of standards, project/design-based learning, curriculum integration, and school philosophy/mission?
 - How are houses/teams doing, strengths and areas of growth/support?
 - Progress towards preparation for MAP assessments and EOGs?
 - Any field trips or community members visiting to extend the curriculum?
 - Any further supports or pd needed and what are the plans for the rest of the year?
 - How are professional learning communities going?
 - What are we learning through all of this?

Tinisha Shaw reported on the four days of professional learning that occurred in January, which included discussions of curriculum, standards, and focus goals. The staff worked in teams, and the sessions were positively received. Two additional professional learning days are scheduled for February during which staff will prepare for and conduct student-led conferences. Some concern was expressed about the staff's readiness to conduct student-led conferences, which are included as part of TESG's charter. Two days of professional learning are scheduled for March at which staff will work on student-led conferences and culturally responsive teaching.

The Curriculum Committee discussed the strengths and need for growth and support of the Houses/Teams.

The Curriculum Committee discussed the MAP assessments and their alignment with End-of-Grade tests. The next MAP assessments are scheduled for the week of February 20.

Tinisha Shaw noted that her teacher observations will focus more on improving math performance.

The Curriculum Committee discussed the prospects for field trips, which are very expensive. More locally arranged field trips and more enhancements brought to school may be approaches that would provide important learning experiences for students. The idea is to get back to extending the curriculum into the downtown area.

2. Leila Villaverde asked for a motion to go into closed session to prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of the United States, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes. Carl Lashley made the motion, Beth Meyer seconded, motion carried unanimously. Closed session began at 4:30. Came out of closed session at 5:30.

Leila Villaverde asked for a motion to adjourn, Carl Lashley made the motion, Beth Meyer seconded, motion carried unanimously at 5:31.

Announcements: none

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