

Academics Committee Agenda

July 13, 2020

10:00 am-12:00 pm

Google Meet link:

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Members: Michelle Kurkoski, Maggie Burggraaff, Tom Johnston, Joell Pundsack, Emily Graveen, Cheri Howe, Hannah Kostichka, Noah Langseth, Teresa Ward, Kirstin Knutson, Tara Richert, Noelle Haland, Kassie Larson, Wendell Sletten, John Gawarecki, Jennifer Heydt-Nelson, Angie Haverland, Rob Krueger, Jennifer Bartle

1. Recording notes (Maggie still willing or do we select a new volunteer?)
2. WBWF Updates (Tom) 3 minutes
3. Placement Exams Update (Noah and Kassie) 3 minutes
4. Recruiting Diverse Staff Update (John) 2 minutes
5. MSA Tours Update (John, Tom, Shannon) 3 minutes
6. Orientation Update (John, Tom, Shannon) 3 minutes
7. Supplemental Online Learning Update (Emily) 3 minutes
8. Changing to One Platform Update (John) 5 minutes
9. Enrollment update (Joell) 3 minutes
10. Scheduling update (Joell) 5 minutes
11. Math Curriculum changes updates (Noah) 5 minutes
 - a. How will it be adjusted for distance learning?
 - b. Why have parents and students not received communication before receiving a schedule with the changed course(s)?
 - c. Have course names been changed to have Math in the name? (ex: Integrated Math 1)
 - d. How have the numbers been kept down in other electives? For example, BOD discussion included Mike F. study skills classes not being overwhelmed because those in math skills were now added to study skills, and that there may need to be sections of study skills added that Caitlin teaches to compensate.
12. Planning for Next Year Update (John) 20 minutes
 - a. Where is the planning at right now? Calendar for completion and posting to MSA website?
 - b. Should enrollment be a concern if we don't follow what other districts are doing?
 - c. Review results of parent survey
 - d. Review results of student survey
 - e. Review results of student survey
 - f. When will the draft plan be sent to teachers for input/questions/concerns?
 - g. What about rigor for next year and how it balances with our mission and vision?
13. Changing Electives for next year because of possible distance learning update (5 minutes)
 - a. Engineering

- b. Taste of Science
 - c. MS Art (3 courses)
 - d. HE Art (7 courses)
 - e. Performing Arts (9 courses)
 - f. MS English Language Arts (3 courses)
 - g. HS English Language Arts (4 courses)
 - h. HS Social Studies (3 courses)
 - i. From Last Meeting Notes - Other districts are suggesting not offering enrichment courses so students have time to focus on core courses. Should some of these courses be removed?
 - j. Have teachers been given some direction about whether they can make changes for courses moving forward and how much they can change? Have the students been updated as to the changes?
 - k. Deadlines for changes? Placement?
14. Merit Promotion Procedure and Electives (Tom) 10 minutes
- a. Students who fail Middle School electives (not needing repeat). What do we categorize as electives and core?
 - b. Review academic agreements, what needs to be repeated? What needs to be changed?
 - c. Continuing Questions: Who are the students who aren't moving on and why? What can we address here? How can we help and what changes can we make to help them?

Next Meeting: Will be August 10 (time?)