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| Academic Committee Meeting | Date: December 9, 2019 Location: District Educational Services Center |
| Members Present | Chair: Tricia Fidrych, Melvin Campbell, and Cathy Robine |
| Others Present | Christina Gwozdz, Earl Campbell, William Smith Staff: Mary Stratos, Wendy Cartledge, Mona Lise Dickson, Ashley Hutchison, and Melissa Murray, Community members: Amanda Walrad, Jody Surtek |
| | Meeting called to order at 4:30pm |
| Action Item | Motion to Approve the Agenda |
| Highlights | Mrs. Cathy Robine made the motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Melvin Campbell. The motion passed 3/0. |
| Action Item | Approval of Minutes |
| | ➤ November 20, 2019 Committee Meeting Minutes |
| Highlights | Mrs. Cathy Robine made the motion to approve the November 20, 2019 Committee Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Melvin Campbell. The motion passed 3/0. |
| Action Item | Public Comments |
| | ➤ The community members asked questions and participated throughout the meeting. |
| Action Item | Review of Administrative Regulations |
| | ➤ IS-41 Student Travel |
| | ➤ IS-43 Grading/Assessment Systems |
| Highlights | ➤ Mrs. Wendy Cartledge presented IS-41 Student Travel. The committee had extensive discussion. Mrs. Cartledge will bring back IS-41 Student Travel with the suggested revisions. ➤ Mrs. Cartledge presented IS-43 Grading/Assessment Systems with the suggested changes. The committee recommended that IS-43 Grading/Assessment System was ready to be shared with the full Board. |
| Action Item | New or Innovative Course Approved |
| Highlights | ➤ Mrs. Monalise Dickson presented a new proposed course titled "High School and Life Enrichment Course". ➤ The course is for grade levels 9-12 th . The credit to be granted is 1.0 credit. ➤ The goals of the Course: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Provide guidance on how to successfully navigate high school both academically and socially ✚ Provide remediation/tutorial to students who are having trouble in their core and elective classes ✚ Provide standard tutorial in preparation for the SAT, ACT, Accuplacer and ASVAB ✚ Provide guidance and knowledge on how to conduct college research and participate in college campus tours ✚ Provide Life Skills that be essential to being successful after high school. Mrs. Cathy Robine made the motion to recommend to the full Board the approval of the new course "High School and Life Enrichment Course at Whale Branch Early College High School. The motion was seconded by Mr. Melvin Campbell. The motion passed 3/0. |
| Action Item | Discussion of Birth – Grade 5 Literacy |
| Highlights | ➤ Melissa Murray presented a Continuum of Children’s Literacy Development in Early Reading and Writing. She continued the presentation that began on October 2, 2019 with Ashley Hutchinson. ➤ The chart goes from Birth-Toddler through Fifth Grade. ➤ Mrs. Murray also addressed how children are measured from Birth – Toddler thru Fifth Grade and the various strategies and assessments that are being used. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The presentation was extensive. Mrs. Hutchinson and Mrs. Murray will be placed on a future agenda to continue the discussion. |
| Information | Determine Date and Time of Next Meeting |
| Action | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The committee determined the agenda for the next two committee meetings. ➤ The next meeting is January 15, 2019 to be held at H.E. McCracken. The agenda items to discuss at that meeting: Calendar, PE.1.9 and Administrative Regulation IS-41 Student Travel ➤ The second meeting in January will be January 22, 2019 at the District Office. The agenda items to discuss are: School Calendar, and ISD Initiatives. ➤ Agenda items for future meetings in Feb: P.E. 1.2 |
| Adjournment | Mrs. Cathy Robine made the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Melvin Campbell. The motion passed 3/0. meeting adjourned at 6:20pm. |

(Signature on Official File Copy) _____

Tricia Fidrych, Board of Education Academic Committee Chair
 Minutes prepared by Robyn Cushingberry, Executive Assistant

Date: January 15, 2020