

EPAC Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 28, 2020
Microsoft Teams Teleconferencing
4:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 4:30 p.m.

I. Welcome – *Dr. Adam Starke & Mr. John Kaudaissy*

Dr. Starke opened the meeting, greeted EPAC members, and handed the meeting over to Mr. Kaudaissy, EPAC Chairperson.

II. Consider Approval of EPAC Minutes for September 17, 2020 – *Mr. John Kaudaissy*

Mr. Kaudaissy greeted members and asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the September EPAC meeting. A motion was made, seconded, and the minutes were approved without objection.

III. Curriculum/Instruction Update and Presentation – *Mr. Adalberto Garcia, Ms. Fabiola Jordan, & Dr. Kim Baxter*

Mr. Garcia shared with members about model lessons created by his department at the request of district assistant superintendents, implemented to assist campuses with virtual and hybrid learning. He took a moment to thank district Instructional Officers who worked to put them together and execute them. Certain campuses were used to carry out the model lessons and record them. Various scenarios were utilized with different grade levels. He stated that pacing will be affected due to response wait times as well as the challenges posed by engaging learners in a virtual setting. Instructional Officer Fabiola Jordan provided some context with the delivery of the lessons and everything involved as they were set up, including space considerations and technology challenges. Instructional Officer Dr. Kim Baxter lauded teachers across the district for their work then discussed some of the logistics of virtual teaching, such as ensuring that students keep their cameras on to make sure they are present and engaged. Mr. Garcia added that, because it is easy for students to turn off their cameras and not be present for the content, tools such as visual reminders are available to help address such things. New types of incentives are being developed to help students stay excited about learning. He related that flexibility, creativity, and understanding of the audience are crucial.

IV. School Improvement Team Issues – *Mr. John Kaudaissy*

Mr. Kaudaissy opened the floor for members to share any issues raised by School Improvement Teams at campuses.

No concerns were shared at this time.

V. Closure – *Mr. John Kaudaissy*

Mr. Kaudaissy reminded members to be safe and about the next meeting on November 19. He closed the meeting at approximately 4:53 p.m.



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