

Amana Academy Governing Board Meeting

January 27, 2019 (12:00pm-2:00pm in Parent Center)

Present: Kristina Leidner, Stephanie Dean, Zafar Khan, Leslie Jensen-Link, Maria

	Agenda Item	Notes
1.0	Slice of Amana Life	
5 min	STEM\venture Day, MLK Service Project, School Nutrition	
2.0	Executive Committee	
5 min	Charter Renewal	Waiting on FCS
2 min	FCS Compliance Checklist	o All that is left is scheduling state of the school address, will combine with the next ALL meeting
5 min	Enrollment	need to check recommitment rate, recommitment period ends at the end of this month
5 min	Parent Engagement Survey	§ 100 responses § Survey just closed, still need to dive down deeply § Data / feedback to be parsed and actions identified
3.0	Academic Committee Report	
5 min	Culture & Character Check-In	o New to this year: § PBIS operational status awarded (3 rd tier) in December § Counseling team implementing proactive small groups that meet weekly, flow is in and out § One-on-one interventions § Outstanding Eagles awards (teacher nominated) § High-5 habit celebrations § Anti-Defamation league – 2-day training with 30 middle schoolers to be peer counselors (teacher recommendation – combo of outgoing kids and

		<p>kids who exhibit skills here but may be reluctant to volunteer)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">§ Learning walks – what PD results§ Behavior RTI – research based positive interventions – connecting teachers with the resource to best address behavior student is exhibiting§ EL walkthrough and surveys to track trends / CASEL proposal invitation§ NAEM tracker (crew priorities) – communication that novice level is OK, check in with students daily§ Shared crew lesson plans§ Crew walk throughs for consistency of implementation, 8th graders providing supply cart§ MS Freedom Friday – Student voice and choice<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ High-5 habits continued, linking report cards more closely to the daily experience, using data from Dojo○ Student Voice and Ownership:<ul style="list-style-type: none">§ Review MS survey feedback with the MS SGA§ Student led community circle§ MS Freedom Friday (result of feedback from MS students)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ DOJO – have gotten to consistent usage○ Support for Management in Active Classroom and Progressive Discipline Plan○ Co-constructed teacher survey (teachers got to provide input on what questions they were asked)○ Peer-led focus group for teachers struggling with management○ Enhancing classroom reentry plan – in place for physical behaviors, expanding to non-physical
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10 min	Iowa Test Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Nationally normed tests ○ Indicator of instruction had in previous year ○ Ahead of national percentile in grades ○ Ahead of FCS in 5th and 8th (except 8th math) ○ 3rd grade lags county except in math <p>§ Large ESOL population in this particular grade, language challenges will affect Language arts, science, social studies</p> <p>§ Highest FRL population in this grade – studies show correlation</p> <p>§ Action plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Schedule adjustments for more small group instruction time · Applying additional resources with personnel pushing in to help (started approx. 2 months ago), evaluation is constant · Milestones information session includes general info on supporting students from home in a general sense – session has been heavily marketed to 3rd grade parents · Look at results over time to see if generally we are improving here or if this is a consistent performance · Look at what can be additionally done to service the ESOL population over and above what is already being done
4.0	Financial Report	
10 min	Monthly Financials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Budget approved by finance committee

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sub-budget overage, looking at mitigations (maternity leave, FMLA the causes) ○ Clarifications on annual fund allocations / restrictions needed for CFO ○ On track for meeting budget for year ○ Days cash on hand is 31.2 (compared with 2 days PY17), aiming for 45 ○ Debt service ratio – keeping an eye on, will be tight ○ Budget approved unanimously ○ ALL requesting to move banks to SunTrust § Discussion on pros / cons / implications / how we can help § Suggestions to have a Memorandum of Understanding, potentially including training
5.0	Fund Development	
10 min	Annual Fund	N/A
5 min	Active/Pending Grants - emerging CMO	N/A
5 min	ChangeMaker Faire	N/A
6.0	Governance Committee Report	
5 min	Fingerprinting Sheets	Kristina to circulate
5 min	CMO governance	
7.0	Workgroup Updates	
10 min	Charter Replication / CMO Kendeda allows us to hire for replication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussion on feedback from APS that they would like us to take over a failing school to get a building – not interested in this ○ Discussion on then looking for another building to accommodate us as a state commissioned school ○ Plan to discuss with developer to put the onus on them to find us a building

8.0	Community Feedback (10 min)	
10 min		Kristina
9.0	Executive Session - Private Mtg (if needed)	
30 min		- Executive session called