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Academic Committee

May 4, 2021

Committee Members:

Present: Elaine Berlin, Ruth Moore, Elizabeth Phillips, Superintendent Suzanne Guntlow, Assistant Superintendent Christensen

Guests: public guests

- Riders Pathway to Success and Goals
 - Brief review of Riders Pathway and goals.

- Quarter 3 Data Report
 - The committee reviewed the Q3 data, provided by Suzanne and Lucas. Course failures are trending down. Suzanne and Lucas agreed that this is in large part to the increase in-school time students in all grades had this past quarter. As the data speaks for itself, the focus of the conversation was on the interventions, both those that are established and also ideas for further intervention. Bringing students into school remains the most effective of all the interventions thus far.
 - We reviewed the graduation rate (currently at 95%) and Lucas shared the potential for small changes in this percentage based on Q4 data.
 - The committee also reviewed 6-12 course failures, 3-8 assessment predictors and K-2 ELA and math data. The majority of the 6-12 data has trended up and the K-2 data seems consistent with years past.

- Lucas and Suzanne shared the next steps for students throughout Q4. Returning more students to in-person learning continues to be both the highest priority intervention.

- The Q4 data will be shared out with the BOE at our July meeting.

- Lucas and Suzanne also shared plans for remediation of learning loss which will take many different forms throughout the next couple of years including, most immediately, an expanded summer school program, expanded Invitations program and additional support for ELL students over the summer months.

- The committee also heard about the professional development being offered to primary and elementary teachers this summer. LETRS is a program that focuses on the science of reading instruction. This PD will be shared between ICC, Chatham and Hudson school districts. This PD will precede the selection of a new reading program in the spring of 2022 for implementation in fall of 2022. ICC is working through the options available and how many teachers can be involved this year. The program will likely be expanded to include more trainings in the future.
- The end of the Q4 marking period is the end of the school year.

Next Academic Committee Meeting: TBD after Q1 in the Fall