

Samueli Academy Academic Committee Meeting

Samueli Engineering School
Room 5212, Engineering Hall
University of California, Irvine

August 15, 2017

4:00 – 5:00pm

Minutes

Attended: Richard Arum, Sandi Jackson, Patsy Janda, Sun Kim, Anthony Saba and Nicole Washington.

1. Approval of the June 20, 2017 Academic Committee minutes.

Sandi Jackson motioned to approve the minutes; seconded by Richard Arum; all in favor.

2. Approval of the June 5, 2017 Joint Academic and Finance Committee minutes.

Patsy Janda motioned to approve the minutes; seconded by Sandi Jackson; all in favor.

3. Charter Renewal

Anthony gave an update of the Charter renewal process. Reminded the Committee that there is a charter consultant who is guiding the process. Sandi Jackson commented it would be beneficial to have the consultant explain the entire process at the Board retreat so it is understood by the entire Board. Anthony stated he and Aimee have worked on the Academic part of the charter so there is no need for the committee to work on it. He stated at the next Academic Committee meeting, he would provide a draft for approval before presenting it to the full Board. He stated the only element that has not been started is Element 12 which the consultant has assigned to herself.

4. Opportunities Rubric

Anthony stated there are a lot of opportunities arising from the success of the school, they have varied from different volunteers wanting to come in, and different agencies/business wanting the students to explore what they have to offer. Although most of them are extremely valuable, they have to be filtered to make sure the proper ones are chosen and presented. Nicole suggested a protocol to be able to choose from the different ones. It was suggested to have these opportunities presented to the Academic Committee once Anthony filters them, to make sure they coincide with the mission of the school, and the students are using their time out of class wisely.

5. Career Advisory Council

Nicole reported the Alumni Success program is running well, and Norah has been reaching out to the Alumni, as well as many Alumni spending a lot of time on campus. The peer and professional mentorship program is also in progress. Nicole stated they are doing everything possible to keep them engaged and encouraged. New Tech Network will also be doing follow up with Alumni. Sandi passed around a list of the Alumni and the Universities they are attending. Nicole reminded the Committee that scholarship recipients will have a workshop to continue to keep them encouraged and engaged. All students will be receiving care packages before they go off to College. There was 1 student who did not graduate and that student is continuing to receive help and meet with Norah.

Database is being developed to track the Career Exploration the students are participating in since it has become very important to the state. Cooperate relations are being developed through Orangewood staff, to make sure we receive support from business and corporations to keep them engaged and receive more support.

6. Compliance Calendar

The Committee reviewed the compliance calendar and spoke of important dates in the following months.

7. New Business

Nicole opened the floor to new business. No new business to report.

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Nicole Washington, seconded by Richard Arum and carried to adjourn the Tuesday, August 15, 2017 Academic Committee meeting at 4:53 pm.

The next Samueli Academy Academic Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 19, 2017.