

Samueli Academy Academic Committee Meeting

Samueli Academy
1901 N Fairview Street
Santa Ana, CA 92706

June 19, 2018

4:00 – 5:00pm

Minutes

Attended: Richard Arum, Patsy Janda, Anthony Saba and Nicole Washington

1. Approval of the April 13, 2018 Academic Committee minutes.

Richard Arum motioned to approve the minutes; seconded by Patsy Janda; all in favor.

2. Mission Statement Committee

Anthony Saba provided some background information about the Mission Statement Committee. He stated that this Committee will consist of a specific Board members, Committee members, Orangewood and Samueli Academy staff. He stated that the information gathered by this Committee will then be brought to the Board Retreat for discussion.

3. MOU with CSUSM

Anthony shared the MOU with CSUSM that guarantees admission to Foster Youth attending Samueli Academy who meet specific academic requirements. Anthony also stated that this provides financial support for the student when all those requirements are met. He stated that this is great relationship to establish, but informed the Committee that because their requirements are so specific, it may be a while before there is a student who is eligible. He stated that there is nothing different that needs to be done except promote the university to foster youth. He shared that the Orangewood Board has reviewed the MOU as there is financial involvement from them.

4. LCAP

Anthony shared the updated LCAP and stated that this was completed with the help of a consultant. He stated that there are yearly updates to the format of it and the consultant is able to keep up with the constant changes. He shared that this has been reviewed by the Finance Committee as well and will be presented to the full Board for approval.

5. UCI Survey Results

Richard Arum presented a summary of the UCI survey results. He described the results of the annual survey in detail and went over the highlights. He also presented the Alumni Survey for the first graduating class and explained that this data will help future alumni and expressed excitement for the high number of surveys submitted. He shared that Chris Wegemer will be helping compare results to really be able to use this information to improve academic performance as well as school culture and help identify the needs of the alumni.

6. Samueli Academy Internship Manual

Nicole shared a draft of the Samueli Academy Internship Manual to be given to the companies partnering with Samueli Academy to host a summer intern. Anthony stated that previously, there was a manual given to both the students and the sites, and this is a simplified version. Nicole stated it will be shared with the full Board at the upcoming Board meeting.

7. Career Advisory Council

Nicole stated the Career Advisory Council did not meet last month, but there are still about 5 students that need an internship placement. Nicole asked the Committee members to think of areas in their companies and organizations that could possibly host an intern and stated they are working to try and establish connections with companies to ensure we have a placement for every student. She emphasized the importance of it and shared that other schools have started implementing similar graduation requirements.

8. Compliance Calendar

Nicole explained the items on the compliance calendar. The committee reviewed the upcoming 2018 meetings, and upcoming deadlines.

9. New Business

Nicole opened the floor to new business and the Committee discussed the transition of duties once Lee Fleming begins her duties as the Head of School. Anthony stated he will stay on the Committee during the transition and the need for both to stay on the Committee was discussed. No other business was brought forth.

10. Adjournment

Nicole made a motion to adjourn at 4:55 pm.