

**2020–2021**  
**University Laboratory School Governing Board**  
**Committee Name: Academic Excellence (AE)**  
**AE Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Location:**

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**Date and time:** Tuesday, November 10, 10:30 a.m.

**Attendance:**

**Topics for Discussion:**

1. Review of October 13, 2020 Academic Excellence Committee meeting minutes  
Reviewed minutes. Ready to post.
2. Instructional Plans for 2020-21  
Parent letter sent to families on Oct. 28. Distance learning to continue through Dec. 17. Plan for students to return to campus on Jan. 5 following the initial 5 day/week elementary, and A/B middle/high hybrid model that was developed for the start of the current school year.
3. Academic Excellence at ULS  
Reviewed 2019-2020 Academic Performance Framework report that was recently released. No test scores reported due to COVID (although ULS does have ACT scores). Reviewed upcoming Charter Commission agenda items related to academic framework for the next contract. Recommend that ULS advocates for using our WASC accreditation/report as part of our value added measures (or in some other appropriate way). At their next meeting the Commission is likely to extend all schools with 5 year contracts, including ULS, for one more year.
4. WASC  
Administration to request one year extension. Progress on report and related activity still being made despite COVID, but extension will help.
5. Goals for 2020-21
6. New business  
Reviewed draft ULS school calendar for 2021-22 school year. Recommend that GB approve the draft at the next GB meeting, with the understanding that it may need to be revised if the fall and spring breaks on DOE calendar do not align (still waiting for DOE calendar to be released). Recommend that GB provide ULS administration with the authority to adjust the fall and spring breaks if necessary. Due to Charter Commission in January.

**To Do:**

1. Discuss committee composition and recruitment at next meeting

**Announcements/Reminders:**

1. Tentative meeting scheduled for December 15, 10:30 a.m. Will cancel if meeting is not necessary.
2. Meeting scheduled for January 12, 10:30 a.m.

**Resources**

- BoardOnTrack AE recommendations  
<https://boardontrack.com/blog/academic-excellence-committee/>