

**Alliance Academy for Innovation LSC Meeting**

**January 8, 2021 8:00 am**

**Innovation Lounge**

**Members:** Brandi Cannizzaro/Principal (present), Lisa Oswald/Teacher (present), Zack Elrod/Teacher (present), Derek Brooks/Business (absent), Liz Butler/ AAI PTSO President (absent), Jennifer Patterson/Parent-Business (present), Amy Smith/Parent (present), Melissa Eison/Parent (present), Tito Ruiz/Parent-Business (present), Alana Murray/Student (present), Josh Dupati/Student (present)



**Meeting Minutes**

I. Call to Order (8:06 am)

II. Welcome and Introductions

- Valery Lowe- Director of College and Career Development

III. Approval of Agenda

- Motion- Zack
- Second- Tito

IV. Approval of Minutes- no corrections needed so approved

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

i. Update from the Office of College and Career Development

- Focus on career skills by forming partnerships with local businesses to unite students with possible future careers; internships allow students to learn and practice skills learned in classes
- Hendricks MS and East Forsyth HS will both open in August 2021; career pathways will be offered by both schools that continue pathways offered at other MS/HS but add new ones as well
- Hands-on learning is the focus for CTAE pathways; safety has been an emphasis this year with COVID
- Branding allows for growth and partnership formation; Trade Talks are short video clips available on You Tube for each pathway
- Diploma seals and medallions may be earned for CTAE pathways by completing different requirements
- CTSOs allow students to participate in competitions and community service in their fields; virtual options have been offered this year
- Pathways earn industry certification through a rigorous process in which industry professionals evaluate school programs
- Mock interviews occur for juniors to prepare them for real job interviews in the future

- College and Career Fair takes place in the fall for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students so they can learn more about career pathways offered by each HS
- ii. Feedback on Code of Conduct
  - FCS seeks yearly feedback on county code of conduct for students
  - Change wording to Bullying Prevention and “victim” to “target”
  - Update wording in cell phone section so that phones turned “off” is not always the default

#### VII. Principal’s Report

- i. Application Update for 2021-2022
  - Dec 1-Jan 4 application was open; had 572 applications even with MS visits limited
  - Lottery will be held Jan 11; changes made to do lotteries by pathway instead of lottery for whole school; 50 students per pathway will be approved and others will be placed on the waitlist
- ii. Course Registration Process for 2021-2022
  - Will offer semester long course in Social Studies next year: Introduction to U.S. Intelligence and National Security Studies; looking to add additional semester long credits to pair with
  - MS/HS course recommendations are due by Feb 5 and are done by teachers
  - Elective portal and course request change form will open Feb 8-19; counselors will visit SS courses
  - District Job Fair will be held Feb 26-27 and will be virtual; staffing needs are dictated by course registration process

#### VIII. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- 2021-2022 Staffing, Enrollment Numbers for 2021-2022, Virtual Options for 2021-2022

#### IX. Adjournment (8:53 am)

- Motion- Zack
- Second- Melissa