

AF Hartford High School
Joint High School Committee Meeting

November 5, 2018, 4:30 pm
305 Greenfield St, Hartford

I. Call to Order & Attendance

The meeting was called to order at 4:39 pm by Barry Jacobson. The following board members and Achievement First Staff were in attendance:

Barry Jacobson, AFHA Board - Yes

Jose Rendon, AFHA Board - Yes (phone)

Ja Hannah, AFHA Board - Yes

Todd Cooper, Jumoke Board - Yes (phone)

Thomas Smith, Jumoke Board - No

Emily Banks, AF Hartford High School Principal - Yes

Ken Paul, AF Network Support - Yes

Sarah Blanton, AF Network Support - Yes

Blake Bergeron, AF Network Support - Yes

Troy Monroe, Jumoke Academy - Yes

Frank Williams, Jumoke Academy - Yes

Public: n/a

II. Open Session For Public Comment

There was no public comment

III. Approve Meeting Minutes

RESOLVED, the Achievement First Hartford Academy Joint High School Committee hereby approves the meeting minutes from September 17, 2018.

Motion by Jose Rendon

Seconded by Ja Hannah

All in favor

IV. School Report (Emily Banks)

Ms. Banks noted that this year's attendance is trending above last year's, and that the school is performing well across other non-academic measures. On a nationally normed student investment survey, AF Hartford High shows strong performance in student/teacher relationships. Ms. Banks noted that there are some areas for improvement in terms of school climate.

Ms. Banks also shared that students are showing promising improvement on SAT practice tests, and that there's been increased discussion in classes, preparing students for the discussion based courses common in college.

In terms of staff, Ms. Banks shared that some shifts on the leadership team have caused momentary

workload redistributions. She also shared that the school has hired a new Dean of College and college counselor for 2018-19 school year and that she's excited to have them on the team.

Jumoke Academy, board members, and AF staff also discussed opportunities for collaborating on student recruitment.

V. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:59pm by Barry Jacobson.

Motion by Jose Rendon

Seconded by Todd Cooper

All in favor