

**KIPP ACADEMY LYNN PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL AND  
KIPP ACADEMY BOSTON PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TEACHING AND LEARNING COMMITTEE  
Thursday, August 29, 2024 | 12:00 pm**

The meeting of the Teaching and Learning Committee of **KIPP ACADEMY LYNN PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL and KIPP ACADEMY BOSTON PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL** (collectively, the “Schools”) convened on Thursday, August 29, 2024 at 12:00PM via Zoom, held in compliance with open meeting law, at which a quorum of the committee members was present.

**The following Committee members attended in person:** n/a

**The following Committee members attended by Zoom:** Eyal Bergman, Doug Borchard

**Additional participants:** Jo Dominique

**The following committee members were not present:** Paige Belfield

Eyal Bergman called the meeting to order at 12:00 and presided throughout the meeting. He ascertained that sufficient Committee members were present at the meeting, and that, accordingly, a quorum existed.

It was shared that our MCAS data is still embargoed, so isn’t able to be discussed. We’ll be ready to discuss it at the Board meeting if it’s unembargoed at that time.

KIPP MA is currently implementing 3 new curriculums in Math, ELA and early literacy. Fishtank is our new ELA curriculum being launched K-8 in Boston and 3-8 in Lynn. Amplify is our early literacy curriculum K-2 in Boston and Lynn. Our goal is to implement with fidelity and so we’re doing an investment and fidelity campaign. When we move to the second arc of the year (rigor), we’ll shift to feedback and academic growth. With the shift to One KIPP (both Lynn and Boston and nationally), we’re getting a lot of curriculum support.

One KIPP is currently focusing primarily on K-8 with a small focus on high school-- there will likely be a new curriculum for high school next year. If they take on Fishtank, that would really support K-12 alignment. We’re less sure about math plans for high school. 9th grade academic health is the focus from the KIPP Foundation given 9th grade is a make or break year. We’ll focus on GPAs, attendance, course selection, etc.

A Committee member clarified if the Foundation identified Amplify and Fishtank or if we selected from a short list. A KIPP MA staff member shared that those curriculums were selected

from the KIPP Foundation. We did have an option for math and the KIPP MA Team did excellent school visits to select the curriculum that felt best for us.

A Committee member didn't know the Foundation had that authority. A KIPP MA staff member explained that the new CEO of KIPP shared we need to have the same curriculums and do assessments similarly so we can have comparative data.

A KIPP MA staff member reviewed Fishtank. They reviewed a sample lesson plan and discussed the role of targeted literacy in supporting with fluency and pre-reads. If necessary, this is where phonics lives. Once we give DIBELs, we'll group students based on the instruction they need.

A Committee member asked for more information on the distinction between phonics instruction and the ELA curriculum.

Eyal moved to close out the Thursday, September 12th Development Committee Meeting at 12:55 pm.

*Eyal Bergman*

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Committee Chair Signature

Documents reviewed:

- Fishtank PPT
- Fishtank lesson plan