



ADMHS STEM Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Call to order

A meeting of the Athens Drive Magnet High School STEM Advisory Board was held virtually via Google Meet on October 11, 2023. The meeting began at 6:33 p.m.

Attendees

Attendees included Marie Dexter, Lauren Doran, Delores Ragsdale, Kim Partin, Malene Haxholdt

Welcome

Chair, Marie Dexter welcomed attendees to the meeting.

Minutes from September meeting were approved as written.

Reports

STEM Academy Updates:

Meeting with Teachers & Student Board on Sept 28

Lauren met with teachers and student board on Sept 28.

- How teachers differentiate STEM courses from the other classes they teach.
- This is an area of improvement for us.
- Lauren is looking for ways to support this work.

Sustainability Initiative Ideas - Students and teachers voted:

- STEM Challenge night on Nov 30. These will be design challenges that students can work on in groups. It will build community and team building. Students will earn STEM points.
 - **ACTION ITEMS:**
 - Marie will look into Chick Fil A & pizza to sell
 - Lauren will work with student board to identify supplies. Should have by the end of the month
 - Marie will create sign up genius for supplies and volunteers
- Also work on Grounds improvements - such as adding path, rain barrels. Approx \$400 expense. Hoping to add rain garden near the modules.
 - **ACTION ITEMS:**
 - Lauren attending Rain Garden Program training from Urban Sustainability Solutions in Nov/Dec

Guest Speakers

- Guest speaker at the school on Oct 3. Students have been attending
- Next speaker Nov 14
- Lauren is working on lining up several more.

ACTION ITEM:

- Marie will get thank you bags to Lauren on Monday.

Incorporating Life Skills into the Academy

Malene Haxholdt met with Lauren to discuss incorporating more program solving and team building skills into the STEM program. She works at Merck and sees that students are missing these essential skills.

Lauren and Malene are hoping to have a data hack-a-thon for seniors in spring. Malene will also be a guest speaker.

The meeting concluded at 6:51 p.m.

Marie Dexter

Chair

Date of approval
