



AMERICAN UNITED SCHOOL
KUWAIT

AUS Advisory Board Meeting Agenda

30/10/2018

3:30 PM

Professional Development Room Grey 7

2nd Floor

Members:

Officers:

Mrs. Megan Sofge
Vacant
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Chairperson
Vice Chair (Schlumberger Representative)
Public Relations Liaison
Secretary

Voting Members:

Sheikha Mariam Mubarak AlSabah (Present)	Elementary Parent
Dr. Suja Aboukhamseen (Present)	Elementary Parent
Mrs. Amani Abulhasan (Present)	Middle School Parent
Dr. Nawaf Jandoul AlDousari	Middle School Parent
Vacant	High School Parent
Miss Zeina Al-Fulaij (Present)	HS Student/ Student Council President
Mr. Abdulla Al-Kazemi (Present)	HS Student/ Student Council Vice President
Mrs. Lama Albabtain	PTSO Representative
Mrs. Molly Jung (Present)	U.S. Embassy Representative
Ms. Ansley Thurber-Elbakry (Present)	Elementary School Teacher Representative
Mr. Leland DuNomes (Present)	Middle School Teacher Representative
Mr. Daniel Leritz (Present)	High School Teacher Representative

Committee Chairs

Vacant

Non-Voting Members:

Jennifer J. Beckwith, Ph.D. (Present)

Founding Director

Mrs. Mona Fairley-Nelson (Present)

Associate Director for Teaching and Learning

Michael Wininger (Present)

Assoc. Director for Educational Tech. and Accountability

Dr. Craig Ross (Present)

High School Principal

Ms. Brenda Clements (Present)

Middle School Principal

Ms. Taryn Peirera (Present)

Elementary Principal

Agenda:

1.) Welcome and Director Report

a. Dr. Beckwith opened the meeting (SAB President Meg Sofge was absent) and Formally introduced new members, mentioned open positions for the SAB for this school year

b. Review End of Year Report – SY 16-17

- Dr. Beckwith showed the Board were to access the year end report and the important information that it contained.

c. SAB Policies and Procedures Guidelines

- <https://www.aus.edu.kw/welcome-to-aus/governance/school-advisory-board>
- Dr. Beckwith showed the Board were the document containing the policies and procedures for our meetings is on the school website

d. AUS Mission & Vision PowerPoint – Dr. Beckwith

https://prezi.com/tt3208tpmiyx/aus-vision-and-mission/?utm_campaign=share&utm_medium=copy

- Dr. Beckwith went over the revised vision and mission statement for AUS and the process how that came to be involving all possible stakeholders

2.) SAB Accreditation Committee Report/Associate Director Reports

a. Endicott Survey Results Committee – Molly Jung

- Focus on the 9 indicators that were rated 70% or below
- Molly Jung went over all the standards that fell below 70% mark on the survey. Shared with the board action steps that will be taken to improve on those numbers

b. Accreditation Update – Mona Fairley-Nelson

- Overview of the Global Citizen Initiative
 - All reports have been shared to CIS and MSA
 - Documents are being prepared to share with all stakeholders for pre visitation review
 - Finalizing scheduling and logistics for visiting team.
 - SAB visits with Accreditation team Saturday, November 24; from 2-4 pm
 - Ms. Nelson shared our accreditation newsletter providing us information as to where we are at in the process

- Ms. Nelson shared with the board our global citizenship initiative and steps being taken this school year and next year. 2018-2019 goal is to imbed a service learning project for each grade level and all content areas.

3.) School Climate Survey – Michael Winger

a. Coming from the National School Climate Center in New York

b. School Climate Survey Presentation

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1ckUub389n5OV30SDpWDnrKqb4eFyG9vfbAaFDPbdg_4/edit?usp=sharing

c. Link to the Sample Survey

https://www.schoolclimate.org/themes/schoolclimate/assets/pdf/measuring-school-climate-csci/CSCiv4.2_sample-Parent.pdf

d. More Information:

<https://www.schoolclimate.org/publications/newsletters>

- Mr. Winger went through the survey presentation highlighting the purpose of the survey and who is going to be asked to participate. (Students, Staff, Parents)
- There are 13 areas that the survey is going to collect data to gauge the school's climate and to address why so many teachers this year have broken contract.
- Parents will be asked to take the survey during parent-teacher conferences.

4.) Other -NA

5.) Announcements

Next meeting January 16, 2017 at 11:30

Future Meeting Agenda Items:

- 1.) Minutes of the previous meeting
- 2.) Director and Associate Director's Reports
- 3.) ES/MS/HS Reports
- 4.) Student Council Representatives Report
- 5.) PTSO Report
- 6.) Committee Reports

IMPORTANT DATES

Nov 1 st , 2017 - @ 9:00 am & 4:00 pm	Parent University (Topics: AUS Accreditation Visit + AUS Global Citizen Initiative)
Nov 5 th – 9 th , 2017	School Photographs
Nov 5 th , 2017	Early Release @ 1:00 PM
Nov 9 th , 2017	End of First Quarter (43 days)
Nov 12 th , 2017	Beginning of Second Quarter
Nov 14 th , 2017	Early Release at 11:00 AM /Teacher Work Day
Nov 15 th -16 th , 2017	Parent Conferences / No Classes
Nov 23 rd -30 th , 2017	CIS / MSA Accreditation Visit

Official end time: 4:15