MCCPS Board of Trustees

Academic Excellence Committee Committee Meeting

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Date and Time
Wednesday October 2, 2019 at 7:30 AM EDT

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			**7:30 AM**
A. Record Attendance and Guests		Jessica Xiarhos	5 m
Record Attendance			
B. Call the Meeting to Order		Jessica Xiarhos	
C. Approve Minutes from 9/4/19	Vote	Jessica Xiarhos	5 m
II. Academic Excellence Committee			**7:40 AM**
A. Vision Statement, Communication, Goals	Discuss	Jessica Xiarhos	20 m
Update Vision Statement, Expectation for Goals going forward.			
B. Update on District Measure of Learning & Progress (IXL)	Discuss	Matt Cronin	15 m
Training from 9/13 and grade level implementation thus far. Expectations going forward.			
C. Data Points	Discuss	Jessica Xiarhos	10 m
Review potential data points for 2019-2020: PBL rubrics & alignment, state testing, local common assessments, surveys, portfolios, MAP			
III. Additional Items to Discuss, Future Meetings			**8:25 AM**
A. Ideas?	Discuss		5 m
IV. Closing Items			**8:30 AM**
A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote		

Cover Sheet

Approve Minutes from 9/4/19

Section: I. Opening Items

Item: C. Approve Minutes from 9/4/19

Purpose: Vote

Submitted by:

Related Material:

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Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee Committee Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday September 4, 2019 at 7:30 AM

Committee Members Present
Ellen Lodgen, Jessica Xiarhos, Kimberly Sullivan, Matt Cronin, Michael Condon, William Sullivan

Committee Members Absent
Emily Westhoven

Committee Members Arrived Late
Ellen Lodgen

Guests Present
Peter Cohen

I. Opening Items

  A. **Record Attendance and Guests**

  B. **Call the Meeting to Order**
     Jessica Xiarhos called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee committee of
     MCCPS Board of Trustees to order on Wednesday Sep 4, 2019 @ 7:34 AM.

  C. **Introductions**

II. Academic Excellence Committee

  A. **Vision Statement, Communication, Goals**
     How do we use iXL, how do the students benefit,

What is successful- grades, curriculum, self-assessments at Exhibition, portfolios, teacher development

Use MCAS and iXL data, and also evaluate for PBL/Essential Habits.

The Charter Renewal

Is it reliable data from Exhibition projects? Historically- validation protocol

Talking about Exhibition ready- are the students experts, not just reading the poster. Are we raising the bar as we get to the upper-grade levels. Are we assessing consistently? Consistent rubric? Common language? Continuum through the grade levels/subjects?

Validation Protocol-

Projects vs. Project-Based Learning, Process vs. Product, the kids who know the material/kids who can "make it pretty"

Formal process for reflection?

Can students explain how they learned?

Community to provide feedback? Satisfaction surveys bring up community connection. Kids sitting down with parents and portfolio.
Question for survey- Do you get the impression of your child's learning? Reword Exhibition question to be big picture, not night-specific. Parents not engaging with other children.

Explicitly tell parents during Exhibition to go engage with other students. Serving food could be impacting space and engagement. Stop serving at a specific time. More mobile food options.

Final Capstone/Portfolio

Jessica to email Sean/Paul for Final Vision Statement from Feb/March, so as to tie goals/expectation to vision. Board meeting from jumping in feet first.

Need feedback from teachers so trust exists. CSL good example of

B. Update on District Measure of Learning & Progress
Ellen Lodgen arrived late.
iXL- staff training on 9/13. Diagnostic, corrective measures for Math and ELA

Visibility to parents- roll-out, Bill to reach out to iXL to see what other schools have done, communication out to parents, parents at Charter because there's not a focus on testing. Visibility through students seeing their own progress.

Back to School night- expectation for home use.

How do we evaluate this program in its entirety?

C. Data Points

III. Other Business

A. New Meeting Dates

Meetings will remain on the first Wednesday of the month.

IV. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessica Xiarhos
Jessica Xiarhos made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Kimberly Sullivan seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.