



# MCCPS Board of Trustees

## Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

Amended on June 24, 2021 at 1:37 PM EDT

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### Date and Time

Thursday June 24, 2021 at 2:00 PM EDT

### Location

MCCPS, 6X

If you need to meet via Zoom: <https://marbleheadcharter.zoom.us/j/85414341015>

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### Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>I. Opening Items</b>			<b>2:00 PM</b>
Opening Items			
<b>A. Record Attendance and Guests</b>		Jessica Xiarhos	
Record Attendance			
<b>B. Call the Meeting to Order</b>		Jessica Xiarhos	
<b>C. Approve Minutes from 5/10/21</b>	Approve Minutes	Jessica Xiarhos	5 m
<b>D. Approve Minutes from 05/24/21</b>	Approve Minutes	Jessica Xiarhos	5 m
<b>II. Academic Excellence Committee</b>			<b>2:10 PM</b>
Academic Excellence Committee			
<b>A. Next Steps - Planning 2021/2022 School Year</b>	Discuss		40 m
1. Teacher PD?			

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
Link to Drive with Criteria: <a href="https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1xGBP4V5QtjKBtG0ggZCcfV5nqUJLC01t?usp=sharing">https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1xGBP4V5QtjKBtG0ggZCcfV5nqUJLC01t?usp=sharing</a>			

**III. Closing Items**

**2:50 PM**

A. Action Items	FYI	Jessica Xiarhos	2 m
B. Adjourn Meeting	Vote		

# Coversheet

## Approve Minutes from 5/10/21

**Section:** I. Opening Items  
**Item:** C. Approve Minutes from 5/10/21  
**Purpose:** Approve Minutes  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** Minutes for Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on May 10, 2021



## MCCPS Board of Trustees

### Minutes

#### Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Monday May 10, 2021 at 2:35 PM

**Location**

6X Classroom @ MCCPS. In Person.

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We will meet via Zoom: <https://marbleheadcharter.zoom.us/j/85414341015>

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**Committee Members Present**

Ellen Lodgen, Jessica Xiarhos, Kimberly Sullivan, Matt Cronin, Meg Upton

**Committee Members Absent**

Molly Wright, Sarah Plymate Ragozin

**Guests Present**

Peter Cohen

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**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 Monday May 10, 2021 at 2:44 PM.

**C.**

### **Approve Minutes from 04/26/21**

Ellen Lodgen made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 04-26-21.

Kimberly Sullivan seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **II. Academic Excellence Committee**

### **A. Finalizing the Criteria of Excellence**

ART Draft...

- More clearly specify studying specific artists?
- Make "Connecting" 1st? Move it up the list?
- Order: Connecting, Responding, Creating, Presenting
- Eliminate periods
- Change font

FINAL DRAFT of Criteria for Excellence...

- Ellen has edited in Oxford commas
- 2 questions about Music - 1st bullet "melodic and harmonic"... what?
- Links to specific projects?
- Subjects in alphabetical - or IA interspersed and not just at the end

BLURB for the website...

- Highlighting that this is what sets us apart from Swampscott/Marblehead Public schools
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Looking forward...

- Something to indicate PBL and cross-integration of subjects/projects
  - Art criteria - "Relate artistic ideas and works to..."
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## **III. Closing Items**

### **A. Action Items**

Criteria to Website - Matt/Peter

Reorder Criteria alphabetically - Jess

Art/Music Edits - Matt/Jess

**B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 3:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jessica Xiarhos

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**Documents used during the meeting**

*None*

# Coversheet

## Approve Minutes from 05/24/21

**Section:** I. Opening Items  
**Item:** D. Approve Minutes from 05/24/21  
**Purpose:** Approve Minutes  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** Minutes for Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on May 24, 2021



## MCCPS Board of Trustees

### Minutes

#### Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Monday May 24, 2021 at 2:40 PM

**Location**

MCCPS - 6X

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**Committee Members Present**

Jessica Xiarhos, Kimberly Sullivan, Matt Cronin, Meg Upton

**Committee Members Absent**

Ellen Lodgen, Molly Wright, Sarah Plymate Ragozin

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**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 Monday May 24, 2021 at 3:00 PM.

**C. Approve Minutes from 05/10/21**

No quorum to approve minutes.



## **II. Academic Excellence Committee**

### **A. Next Steps - Planning 2021/2022 School Year**

Making this into a practical thing - aligning to projects, curriculum

Looking at spiraling - who is covering which criteria, when, how. Which aren't covered.

Project developing - highlight for kids, parents, educator. Emphasizing these particular skills to a student.

Mapping out curriculums.

Portfolio element.

Goal - student explain who they are as a learner, also in conjunction with the criteria  
Exit portfolio.

Parent's Night/Open House - teachers emphasizing on parent's night with examples of projects and criteria alignment.

Wanted Posters, POWs - making it real for parents to understand

Curriculum Web -- Interdisciplinary approach, one pager for each trimester. Outside of education speak.

- When kids were home, parents knew exactly what students were learning, where they were going. Went back to school, very hard to keep track of what they are learning.

Goals:

grade level alignment of criteria - what does it mean to problem solve in 4th, 5th, 6th, etc.  
what should writing look like? etc.

## **III. Closing Items**

### **A. Action Items**

### **B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jessica Xiarhos

**Documents used during the meeting**

*None*