



MCCPS Board of Trustees

Minutes

Monthly Governance Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday July 9, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Location

17 Lime Street - Community Room

Committee Members Present

Cynthia Canavan, David Moore, Jeanne Smith, Kay O'Dwyer, Pam Ferris, Paul Baker

Committee Members Absent

Christopher Riegler, Karl Smith, Nichole Thompson

Guests Present

Peter Cohen, Stephen Veiga

I. Opening Items**A. Record Attendance and Guests****B. Call the Meeting to Order**

Paul Baker called a meeting of the Governance Committee of MCCPS Board of Trustees to order on Tuesday Jul 9, 2019 at 7:22 PM.

The meeting took place in the 8th Grade math and science room.

C. Approve Minutes

Paul Baker made a motion to approve minutes from the Governance Committee Meeting on 06-04-19 subject to correcting the bullet point headings in Section 2B and changing MCCP to MCCPS in Section C, paragraph 1. Governance Committee Meeting on 06-04-19.

Pam Ferris seconded the motion.

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

II. Governance

A. New Board member training - Retreat debrief

Pam Ferris updated the Committee regarding the mentoring presentation she gave to the Board members at the 6/8/19 retreat. After the presentation the Board members decided to pair up on their own and to have informal check-ins throughout the year. The Committee agreed that the Chair of the Board should get a progress update at the next Board meeting.

B. Board Meeting Update

Paul Baker updated the Committee on the 6/25 Board meeting, including the following:

1. Charter renewal application was approved pending minor edits.
2. Bill Sullivan working on the Annual Report due 8/1.
3. Finance - signatories were changed to Rudy Herve and Peter Cohen.
4. Calendar raffle earned \$10,541.
5. Fred Ferris and Susan Hauck looking for a venue to hold the spring anniversary event.
6. Bill Sullivan gave HOS Report, including:
 - Exhibition and graduation were well attended.
 - Admissions update: possible total of 224 with all offers out, 197 without offers.

The Committee discussed the pros and cons of having the 8th grade graduation ceremony at MCCPS vs. Abbot Hall and the idea of a reception after the ceremony.

The Committee questioned why intent to return forms were only sent to 6th grade families and discussed the need for mid-year parent-teacher conferences. Also discussed was the importance of defining the MCCPS educational experience and differentiating the 7th and 8th grades in order to attract and retain students, i.e., have 7th graders lead the community meetings, an 8th grade capstone project and separation of 7th and 8th grade exhibition.

C. Other items

Committee members discussed intentions to commit for the upcoming year, as well as the staffing needs of other committees.

III. Planning - Future meeting

A. Next Meeting - August

The next meeting was scheduled for August 6, 2019.

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 8:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jeanne Smith