



## MCCPS Board of Trustees

### Minutes

#### Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

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##### **Date and Time**

Wednesday July 1, 2020 at 8:30 AM

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82913159414?pwd=OXcyUlpleVQxKzd3cGF2dTNhTXpodz09>

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##### **Committee Members Present**

Ellen Lodgen (remote), Jessica Xiarhos (remote), Kimberly Sullivan (remote), Matt Cronin (remote), Peter Cohen (remote), Sarah Plymate Ragozin (remote)

##### **Committee Members Absent**

Michael Condon

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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 Wednesday Jul 1, 2020 at 8:33 AM.

##### **C. Accept Remote Participation**

Ellen Lodgen made a motion to Accept Remote Participation: In light of the ongoing COVID-19 coronavirus outbreak, Governor Baker issued an emergency Order on March

12, 2020, allowing public bodies greater flexibility in utilizing technology in the conduct of meetings under the Open Meeting Law. This committee makes a motion to accept this Executive Order for this meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee, on July 1, 2020. Matt Cronin seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

Kimberly Sullivan	Aye
Sarah Plymate Ragozin	Aye
Jessica Xiarhos	Aye
Peter Cohen	Aye
Ellen Lodgen	Aye
Michael Condon	Absent
Matt Cronin	Aye

### **D. Approve Minutes from 6/10/20**

Ellen Lodgen made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 06-10-20.

Matt Cronin seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

Jessica Xiarhos	Aye
Sarah Plymate Ragozin	Aye
Matt Cronin	Aye
Ellen Lodgen	Aye
Michael Condon	Absent
Peter Cohen	Aye
Kimberly Sullivan	Aye

## **II. Academic Excellence Committee**

### **A. Goals of Academic Excellence Committee for 20-21 School Year**

Based on Calendar - introduce Criteria to faculty within two weeks, give time to "tinker" on their own, offer stipend for summer work.

Goals:

- Completion of the Criteria
- Implementation of the Criteria
- Dissemination of the Criteria
  - PD Time for Staff
- Revision/Reflection of the Criteria

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## **B. Implementation of Criteria for Excellence Documents in Remote Learning**

Begs the question, "How are we measuring success outside of testing?"

- Need to get away from MCAS scores, give a more holistic view of the student as a learner
- iReady and IXI
  - Implementation of Schoology

Going forward ...

- Consistent communication
  - Level setting between grade-levels
  - setting expectations
- Uneasiness around coming school year
  - Workshop for Parents re: Education/Communication? Grading Expectations?

## **C. Next Steps**

### **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 9:30 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jessica Xiarhos

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### **Documents used during the meeting**

- 2020\_06\_10\_academic\_excellence\_committee\_committee\_meeting\_minutes.pdf