



MCCPS Board of Trustees

Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Friday April 1, 2022 at 2:45 PM

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

Committee Members Present

Elizabeth Burns, Ellen Lodgen, Jessica Xiarhos, Kimberly Sullivan, Matt Cronin

Committee Members Absent

Meg Upton, Meghan Hale, Molly Wright

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Jessica Xiarhos called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of MCCPS Board of Trustees to order on Friday Apr 1, 2022 at 2:49 PM.

C. Approve Minutes from 3/04/22

Kimberly Sullivan made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 03-04-22.

Ellen Lodgen seconded the motion.

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

II. Academic Excellence Committee

A. Department Updates Re:Criteria

Hiring of a new 7th/8th Math teacher - allowing for heterogeneous groupings in Humanities/IA

- Opportunities for advancement in Humanities?

Mapping the Criteria - teacher autonomy vs. uniformity

B. MCAS Board Presentation - Update

Matt, Jessica, and Gianni to meet.

Criteria for Excellence Presentation to the Community

- rework Jessica's presentation to the Board - **May 18th @ 7 Hybrid**
 - <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/133Te9M0KBbKJbJhFn2cbdsgKO6dt0Jg5uJr0atQ4Kms/edit?usp=sharing>
 - https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1KSAAG-4WpZHYpWNLyNMd1zYGAkCBsb9_UERW7j76Y38/edit?usp=sharing
- Ellen to choose a student example of PSA with Criteria reflection, perhaps Jessica in 6th can show a similar example
- Jess and Matt Cronin to be connected to Saltonstall for 8th grade portfolio presentations

C. Next Step - Reporting on Progress

- Finding a metric - considering student-led conferences, portfolios, narratives
- Does a traditional grading system accomplish what we want it to accomplish?
- Power in messaging: D- vs. Not YET Proficient

III. Closing Items

A. Action Items

1. Matt, Jessica, and Gianni to meet re:MCAS
2. Jessica's to presentation to the Board for community
3. Kim to connect Jess and Matt Cronin to Saltonstall for 8th grade portfolio presentations
4. Peter to add calendar event - Criteria Presentation to the Community **May 18th @ 7 Hybrid**

5. Ellen to select portfolio examples for Community Presentation

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 3:52 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessica Xiarhos

Documents used during the meeting

None