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MCCPS Board of Trustees

Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Friday August 26, 2022 at 2:45 PM

Location

17 Lime Street, Marblehead, MA 01945

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

Committee Members Present

Ellen Lodgen, Jessica Xiarhos, Kimberly Sullivan, Matt Cronin, Meg Upton, Molly Wright, Peter Cohen

Committee Members Absent

Elizabeth Burns

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 Friday Aug 26, 2022 at 2:53 PM.

C. Approve Minutes from 06/10/22

Kimberly Sullivan made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 06-10-22.

Matt Cronin seconded the motion.

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

II. Academic Excellence Committee

A. Criteria Update - Global Studies

Jess and Molly over the summer made edits to the Global Studies criteria proposed by Megan Hale. The new criteria have been disseminated out to the faculty. Changes were mostly in the area of refusing redundancy

Jessica Xiarhos made a motion to to accept the new Global Studies as is to the final MCCPS Criteria for Excellence.

Ellen Lodgen seconded the motion.

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

B. Summer Work Update

Matt, Jessica, Molly, Ellen went through unit design over the summer, either aligning old units to the Criteria or creating new units. Sample units were produced for the faculty, both as a guide, but also to help frame the process for new teachers.

Portfolios to be a huge push to fill in gaps connecting work to Criteria. Deliberate use of Criteria as part of portfolios the focus.

Looking toward Student-Led Conferences.

C. MCAS Board Presentation - Upcoming

Waiting on Scaled Scores, have raw data.

Hard to draw comparisons with inconsistencies in the test.

Smaller sample size leads to more variability.

Expecting to see the scores show impact of pandemic.

D. Next Step - Reporting on Progress (Summer Update)

III. Closing Items

A. Action Items

- Jessica to add a footer to front page of Criteria saying "revised on..."; Index; page numbers
- Essential Habits page to be added by Jessica

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 3:49 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessica Xiarhos