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MCCPS Board of Trustees

Minutes

Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Friday December 9, 2022 at 2:45 PM

Location

MCCPS - 6 Gold

If you need to meet via Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/91470763657?pwd=cjJ0MVZYWWsyb3I5VWZoNlVQb1BDZz09>

Committee Members Present

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

Committee Members Absent

Elizabeth Burns, Kimberly Sullivan

Committee Members who arrived after the meeting opened

Peter Cohen

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 Dec 9, 2022 at 2:50 PM.

C. Approve Minutes from 10/14/22

Meg Upton made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 10-14-22.

Matt Cronin seconded the motion.

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

D. Approve Minutes from 11/04/22

Molly Wright made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on 11-04-22.

Ellen Lodgen seconded the motion.

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

II. Academic Excellence Committee

A. Criteria Update from Departments

Lack of updates due to Thanksgiving, Exhibition, and Grades/Report Card Comments.

Looking toward Validation Protocol with emphasis on Criteria. Half day in January to be focused on this area.

Peter Cohen arrived at 2:57 PM.

B. Goals of the Academic Excellence Committee for the Strategic Plan

Goals of this Committee for the next 3 - 5 years

- Grading
- Criteria - continuously editing, connecting to curriculum, unit plans
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- Development of Portfolios
 - Passage portfolios/Graduation portfolios?
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- Student Led Conferences
- Predictable Reviews of new curriculum - a timeline so there aren't new curriculums in the same year
- Learning Platform System
- PBL + CSL
- MCAS and counterpoints? (Standardized Test Prep? Standardized ASSESSMENT Preparation?) ASSESSMENT Prep? Ensure success on MCAS without teaching to the test?)
 - make sure that it's reinforcing what we value
- Measuring Student Progress
 - MCAS
 - Criteria

- How do we best report on progress?
- Innovation

1. Assessment and Assessment Reporting
2. Engaging and Rigorous Curriculum

C. MCAS Board Presentation - Debrief

Kudos to MAtt for a well received presentation. (And a small kudos to DESE for transparency on the current standardized testing climate).

III. Closing Items

A. Action Items

Jessica to bring Goals to Strategic Plan committee.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessica Xiarhos

Documents used during the meeting

None