



**PCCS Academic Excellence Committee Meeting Minutes
Approved**

Monday September 12, 2016 7:00 PM

Kennicott Building – Art Room

1531 Jones Point Rd

Grayslake, IL 60030

Call to Order 7:05PM

Committee Chair Nick Kotzamanis

The minutes of a meeting of the PCCS Board of Directors held on Monday, September 12, 2016 in the Art Room in the Kennicott Building, 1531 Jones Point Road, Grayslake, Illinois.

Members Present

Nick Kotzamanis, Committee Chair

Ed Jamison, Secretary

Bob Bolin

Ann Reagan

Abe Janis

Nell Anen

Staff Present

Tony Zamiar

Others Present

A quorum was present.

Nick Kotzamanis made a motion to amend the agenda to include discussion of committee responsibilities, seconded by **Ed Jamison**

On a voice call vote, all 'ayes' MOTION CARRIED.

Motion to Approve Agenda

Nick Kotzamanis made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by **Ed Jamison**.

On a voice call vote all 'ayes' MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion Agenda:

1. Secretary needed for committee

Nick Kotzamanis made a motion to nominate Ed Jamison as Secretary of the Academic Excellence Committee, **Ann Reagan** seconded.

On a roll call vote all 'yes' MOTION CARRIED.

1. Academic Growth
 - FY15 PARCC Data Review

Mr. Zamiar presented on PARCC scores. Presentation included data on scores at PCCS and comparison to state scores overall. It showed that PCCS meets or approaches expectations in all categories. We have seen upward movement in some categories, regression in others. Mr. Zamiar is working with individual teachers and teams on disciplines to address weaknesses and build on strengths. If we saw success in particular categories or standards, the involved faculty share that success and efforts with the larger team to help build on that success.

2. Professional Development

- Based on PARCC Data Results

Mr. Zamiar has analyzed the results of the PARCC testing and has worked with staff on strengths and weaknesses overall.

He reported that Model Math has been successful in the 7/8 Grade Band and it is starting to be used in the 3/4 band. In 5/6 “Investigations” is being used as a supplement to other classroom teaching and that Model Math is the primary tool being used. Model Math is a hands on, constructivist teaching method. It provides access to 125 written lessons and provides ample opportunity for supplemental materials and the ability to weave environmental topics into the lessons.

CPM3 is being used in the 5/6 band as well and is particularly good for decimals.

6-8 Grades have accelerated options into Math 1 and 2, which feed directly into High School Algebra. Jenny Winters, a resource from ISBE and influencer of Model Math has been accessible to the staff directly and has worked to take in feedback and improve the program to better help our students.

7/8 Grade band teachers have been doing a walk in your shoes program in Math, Science and History at our surrounding high schools. PCCS Administration is working to set up a professional network for staff with other schools.

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New Business

Adjourn

There being no further business before the board, **Ed Jamison** made a motion to adjourn, seconded by **Nick Kotzamanis**

On voice call - “all ayes”. MOTION CARRIED at **8:22 PM**.

Respectfully submitted,
Ed Jamison
Secretary



Secretary
June 8, 2015