



**PCCS Board of Directors,
Approved Academics Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday August 16, 2022 @ 6:00PM
Wright School House/Library
1571 Jones Point Rd
Grayslake, Il. 60030**

Committee members present: Abe Janis, Terri Boettcher (via phone for the first 30 minutes), Gabi White, Stacey White, Nell Anen

Staff present: Tony Zamiar

Public present: Jenny Diehl, Jim Mertz, Andrew VanDeWeghe, Rebecca VanDeWeghe

Call to Order
6:02pm

Abe Janis

Public Comment

Rebecca VanDeWeghe - Comprehensive sexual health act - do not feel comfortable with the new standards
Andrew VanDeWeghe - Urge to not adopt the new standards, do not need to create any further ambiguity
Jenny Diehl - We also need more information relating to CRT. Erin's law some of the messages were missed within some of the elementary documents

Discussion Items

1. Transition of Academics Committee
 - a. Matt Earl will be taking over the committee once Abe Janis leaves the board.
 - b. Nell will serve as an interim until Matt is up to speed
2. FY23 Committee Topics to be Addressed
 - a. Curriculum vetting - language arts - new features that need updated
 - i. Updated review of what the teams are looking at relating to curriculum
 - b. How can we integrate environmental curriculum in the classroom
 - c. Erin's Law - mandates versus implementation
 - d. Appreciates structures for getting data 2 times per year
 - e. Continue to discuss the faculty and staff rebuilding
 - f. High school transfer of information updates annually
 - g. Fine arts update
 - i. There are 9 specials in the classroom per week
 1. There are 6 for younger grades
 2. Upper grades have a little less due to Spanish
3. Spring to Fall Assessments
 - a. Student Achievement Report Review
 - i. NWEA is taken 3 times per year.
 - ii. Charter authorizers will compare scores to other area schools
 - iii. State is not looking at 2020, no longer published

- iv. Accommodations are made for IEP
 - v. Sub groups are reviewed for other area improvements
 - vi. Look at bottom 35% for interventions
 - vii. MAP is below expected for reading
 - viii. Math achievement and growth are showing positively
 - ix. Professional growth helping with ELA materials
 - 1. Including the information on better integration
 - x. Tier 3 are where there is intensive intervention
 - xi. K-4 are now on the same ELA curriculum
 - xii. Continue to assess tutoring needs
 - xiii. CLC offers some enrichment classes now at the 5th grade level
 - xiv. Looking at the 9-12 grade standards for supporting advanced students
4. Faculty and Staff Rebuilding
- a. Theme is rebuilding - it's time
 - b. A large amount of attrition did happen
 - c. There 3 IAs missing but all other positions are filled - these are in the upper grades
 - d. Trying out co-teaching in 6th grade
 - e. New PE teacher was hired to support full school
5. Comprehensive Personal Health and Safety and Sexual Health Education Act
- a. [Public Act clean version](#)
 - b. [Changes Marked](#)
 - c. In or Opt Out Status
 - i. We have not adopted the curriculum for this year.
 - ii. Need to discuss what is mandated versus what we can do
 - iii. Do not know if we will be able to opt out going forward
 - iv. Parents and families have the option to opt out
 - v. Currently have human reproduction - growth and deployment - Robert Crown presentations: 5, 7 (all done last year due to COVID)

Action Items

No Action Items Scheduled for this Meeting

New Business

None

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was submitted by Nell Anen and seconded by Gabi White
Meeting adjourned at 7 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Gabi White