

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
THE WOODSTOCK ACADEMY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ACADEMIC COMMITTEE
February 10, 2020



These minutes are for
informational purposes only.

PRESENT: Child, Barbara; Musumeci, Joseph; Young, Scott; Harten, Michael; Musko, Jason; Walley, David; Sandford, Chris (6:08); Singleton, Holly; Ignacio, Joey; Pan, Jingy (Jane)
ABSENT WITH NOTIFICATION: May, Val; Paquette, Philippa; Arends, Alyssa (alternate)

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Child at 5:30 p.m.

2. Community Participation – None.

3. Secretary's Report—Minutes of January 13, 2020

MOTION: (Singleton/Young) To approve the minutes of January 13, 2020.
Unanimous

4. Discuss Committee Charter

The Committee Charter was discussed, and a few edits were made.

MOTION: (Musko/Pan) To approve the Committee Charter as modified.
Unanimous

5. Course Proposal: 2D/3D Art

Dr. Harten presented the rationale for the course proposal. Committee discussion included the location for the course offering and the track to upper-level courses for students enrolling in it.

MOTION: (Ignacio/Young) To approve the 2D/3D Art course as presented.
Unanimous

6. Next Generation Accountability Results Update

Dr. Harten reviewed the 18-19 accountability report from the Connecticut State Department of Education, published by the CT Mirror. It compares the 16-17 to the 18-19 school years. Areas for improvement were cited:

- Fitness test: Increase participation rate from 82% to above 90%
- Math achievement gap decreased from 19.9% to 19% (still higher than the CT average)
- ELA proficiency decreased from 65.3% to 59.9%
- Chronic absenteeism (control the downward trend)

7. Academic Committee Goals Progress

The group discussed the status of committee goals.

- #2—Encourage Cross Departmental Collaboration
Thirteen (recent and planned) unique, collaborative efforts were highlighted.
- #3—Monitor mental support systems for students and collect data

Associate Head of School Singleton discussed means that students are discussed with support staff to discuss behavioral needs and social-emotional needs. A white paper about changes to responsibilities within the administrative team will be sent to the full Board.

- #4—Encourage BOT members to visit The Academy
Walter McGinn, Philippa Paquette, and Joe Musumeci have visited to date.

8. **Other** – None.

9. **Community Participation** – None.

10. **Adjournment**

MOTION: (Ignacio/Harten) To adjourn the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Musumeci

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Acting Secretary

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