



Fronteras Spanish Immersion Charter School

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APC Election Committee Report March 2012



Our most recent Elections Committee meeting was on March 1, 2012.

At that meeting, the following items were discussed:

I. Review of committee guidelines and how elections shall proceed:

Currently we have 5 board seats available. These seats are as follows:
4 staff member seats (2 of which shall be held by teachers) and 1 seat
(a non teacher staff member or parent seat) are up for election.
All current teacher board members plan to run for re-election.

Candidate applications are due no later than Thursday, March 22, 2012 by 3:30 pm to Solveig. Applications are available at the front office in building A. The "Dear APC Board Applicant letter/info" should be included with those applications. Eventually, it would be great to add photos to the website showing board members. All personal information should be left off of the public application (address, phone number). Each applicant should give permission for a bio that they write to be posted on the website as well.

Candidates will present themselves in person or by application to the APC Tuesday, April 10 at the regular APC board meeting.

Balloting opens Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at 7:30* am in Building A until 2:45* pm. Because we have an Open House, it will be possible to Re-open balloting that same evening for those who work late as well.

Balloting will continue from 7:30-2:45 Wed April 25 AND Thurs April 26.
FINAL count should be determined BY NO LATER than FRIDAY April 27!!!
Paperwork WILL be LOCKED in Solveig's office overnight. Ballots should be counted on FRIDAY...

Election Committee members (Gwen, Jill, Barrie, Veronica) will be verifying and counting VOTES to ensure valid and fair election.

II. Review election bylaws.

The Elections committee is prepared to make a few recommendations for changes to the existing bylaws at our upcoming APC Board meeting. The current bylaws are in black, with changes appearing in red.

Article IV The Governing board:

Section 3. Members of the Governing Board

Suggested modification:

F. Vacancies.

Strike out the last sentence of the section, which reads; " Vacancies on the Board shall be filled within sixty (60) days of the occurrence of the vacancy." Change this to: "Vacancies on the board shall be filled within 2 regular board meetings following the occurrence of the vacancy."

B. Board Composition.

B3 (Community members) Consider adding a final line which reads "In order to initially seat a Community member at Large, such a seat must initially be filled by appointment. Once their initial term expires, CML's may be re-elected with a majority vote of approval at a regular Board election."

B4 Completely Strike out B 4 which reads:

"4. 1 Representative member of the Fronteras Parent/Community Organization. This member can be a parent, staff member or community member. "

III. Future Business

Election committee will meet to finalize the ballot according to applications received, establish a schedule of volunteers to distribute to APC members the ballot, update the Fronteras website with current election information such as the application and a timeline of election events, and discuss additional election related items as needed.