

Fronteras Spanish Immersion Charter School

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APC Governing Board Meeting February 13 Meeting Minutes



I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm. All board members present.

II. Pledge of Allegiance *La Promesa de Lealtad a la Bandera*

Juro lealtad A la bandera de los Estados Unidos de America y a la república que representa una nación bajo Dios indivisible con libertad y justicia para todos.

III. Persons to be Heard

- a. Alena Prosser commented that the school is fantastic. She is concerned about the beginning of the year 2018-2019 school schedule and feels it is not a consistent schedule for new kindergartners and other students. Willing to offer solutions to what she sees as a problem related to potential gaps in days students start. Her family has a first grade student and younger sibling.

IV. Good Things

V. Business Session (Consent Agenda)

- A. Approval of meeting minutes from December 12, 2017 - Misty commented on treasurer report and need to summarize Believe Kids Fundraiser.
- B. Principal Report
See attached report at end of minutes which outlines calendar. Jennifer very supportive of wrestling program, states Mr McBride wants to work with younger students as well. Looking for parents who would like to assist with talent show, commented Señor Desjarlais may be interested.

Fronteras will not sell tickets for Mary Poppins performance at Glen Massey but will still get to see the show. Jennifer would like to be able to provide food for students and families for field day this year, working toward a solution for funds. Drama performance will be May 12 and 14.

C. Treasurer Report

Balance Savings \$25.15, Checking \$18, 939.46

Misty states for Fronteras to make a donations with Pick Click Give we need to make more than \$50,000 to be able to give, overall not worth it, we are too small. We received letter in mail regarding Amazon Smiles that we are not signed up, money should go to APC Board. Fred Meyer rewards go to APC also. Target rewards go to Student Activities.

D. APC Board Action Calendar Update

See attached report.

Motion to approve business session made by Jennifer Hutchins, Lynda seconds the motion, all in favor motion passes and minutes approved with amendment in treasurer report made.

VI. Generative Discussion

A. Honor Roll Awards

Heather would like to continue this conversation regarding honor roll since we did not finalize events. Discussion should include how often and with what will we recognize students. Our research into other schools finds they base on Q1 and Q2 grades. An evening of excellence is proposed, how would we split grades? Jennifer wants students recognized amongst their peers and would like to include Q3. APC would pay for event and would purchase a cake, punch, and coffee for the evening. Miss Alaska would like to come speak at our next assembly. Heather motions to plan and organize an Evening of Excellence for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students recognizing students with a GPA of 3.5 and higher, all in favor, motion passes.

B. Student Ambassador

Discussion in more detail of what is a student ambassador? Could it be rolled into an evening of excellence? Possible middle school representative, possibly an 8th grade student going out into the community to speak. Jennifer would like to see before moving forward the board laying out a template and expectations for students including what to speak about, why they are glad they are at an immersion school, and what does being a student ambassador look like. Board discussion about creating an application for students and getting teachers involved to provide recommendations and survey students. We discussed creating a work group to help lay out a template for a student ambassador, not limiting to just middle school students but also including 4th and 5th grade students. Board members can help to identify individuals they think might be interested in being on a committee for student ambassadors.

C. Parent Volunteer Hours

Jen used PT conferences to communicate to parents volunteer needs, received good feedback and walked away with a list of people. We have not had direct repercussions to parents if they do not complete volunteer hours, is there a more effective method? We know for sure that asking for help with specific jobs has worked well by communicating with Amigos via email. Would like to keep tracking volunteer hours and send out a letter to families a reminder and opportunities available to volunteer. Bus transportation is a barrier for parents to volunteer because they don't come to school as often. Offers like get 2 volunteer hours for the price of one has not worked in past. Suggestion for a volunteer wall with "things to do" and also Amigos and Jen Manion go to roll in week to give visibility to volunteer opportunities and also the APC Board.

D. Fundraiser

Proposal to do a ChicoBag reusable grocery bag fundraiser to benefit the middle school Puerto Rico trip and APC Board. Bags are \$6.99 and hold up to 25 lbs, we receive 40% of profits. Offer incentives for students who sell over \$50. Promote environmental benefits reusing bags and approximating how many plastic bags we save. Misty will get more information and would do the fundraiser as soon as possible for maximum benefits to students.

E. Elections

Solveig summarized we have 2 open parent seats (currently occupied by Heather and Jody), 2 open staff seats (one seat currently occupied by Lynda in Liliana Taner's seat the other is vacant), and 3 open community seats. The APC Board can have a maximum of 11 members. Plan to email staff about open seats reiterating if we don't have an APC Board we won't have a school. Proposal to post on Facebook board opportunity for community seats available, Misty confirmed we can post on Facebook.

VII. Executive Session

VIII. Final Actions and Adjournment

Motion by Heather to adjourn meeting, Solveig seconds motion, all in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm. Next regularly scheduled board meeting is April 10, 2018.

APC Governing Board Members

Heather Charton, Chair
Philippe Onfray, Vice Chair
Misty Adams, Treasurer
Jody Soeder, Secretary
Solveig Eidsness
Jen Manion
Lynda Denny
Jennifer Hutchins (ex-officio), Principal

Principal Report
February, 2018

Good Thing – Our Wrestlers, Volleyball Players, JNWY, and Ruffin of the Ruffin & Ruffin RNCs!

1. Spring School Calendar Events: *Many of these events have times, are tentative and may change*

Feb. 15th Parent Conferences 7:30-11:00am and 2:00-4:30pm
Feb. 16th Professional Development
Feb. 22nd Jump Rope for Heart assembly @ 1:30pm
Feb. 28th Eng. Spelling Bee 3rd-8th
Mar. 2nd Spelling Bee 3rd-8th
Mar. 9th Staff Work Day – No school for students
Mar. 12th-18th SPRING BREAK
Mar. 19th Report Cards
Mar. 23rd Eng. Spelling Bee K-2nd
Mar. 28th Frontiers Night @ Gonn Massey Theater – Mary Poppins 7pm
Apr. 3rd-6th PEAKS grades 3rd-8th
Apr. 8th Spelling Bee K-2nd
Apr. 10th CHAM (K-1) MAP (3rd-8th)
Apr. 18th Progress Reports (4th-8th)
Apr. 30th ARMS K-3rd
May 1st-11th STAMP (Kth only)
May 4th Staff Prof. Dev. – No school for students
May 15th K Graduation 1pm
May 16th 9th Promposal 1pm/Spring Concert 6:00pm
May 17th Talent Show
May 18th Field Day BBO/Last Day for Students!

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2. Cannot sell Mary Poppins tickets. Still determined to find a way for Frontiers to cover all Red Day expenses so parents just come and enjoy the day with us!