

Fronteras Spanish Immersion Charter School

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APC Governing Board Meeting Meeting Minutes for November 7, 2016



I. Call to Order

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. Roll Call/Determine Quorum (5 required):

Meeting called to order at 6:04pm. Members present include Heather, Jody, Liliana, Misty, Philipe, Beckie, Jennifer, and Chris.

IV. Approval of the agenda for today's meeting

Jennifer approved meeting agenda, Misty seconds. Unanimously approved.

V. Review meeting protocol

** Wait for recognition from the chair to speak*

** Let people give their reports and ask questions * Keep non-productive comments to a minimum*

• Persons to be Heard – 30 minutes maximum

- Mary Wargo states she is very excited about speaking more Spanish in the classrooms by parents volunteering.*

VI. Standing Agenda

A. Misty approves meeting minutes from 11 October 2016, Chris seconds. Discussion to change under New Business, Fundraising, the raffle will run through the 501C3 and Hockey Association.

B. Chair Report

Received letter from school district of congratulations on our new school.

Recognized Jody and library volunteers for getting library up and running. Library classes will start this quarter. Beckie asked if we have investigated becoming part of school library system. Jody and Heather have talked with Sandy Kruger, a librarian in the district, and were discouraged due to cost and training requirements. Beckie stated knows Sandy and may be able to get more information.

C. Principal Report

See attached report.

2. Misty states Believe Kids fundraiser was a success. It ran 2 weeks and made \$26,000, we get 40% from profit. Food will deliver first week of December.

6. Attendance still being discussed, Fronteras will follow district standards. Jennifer reviewed handouts, stated grades 5th and up operations are a weak point. The staff has reviewed the data. Onfray pointed out that subjects are introduced in Spanish, but always make sure concept is understood in English. Beckie states math is its own language and teachers need strategies for teaching.

Announced the Spanish Heritage Celebration that will take place 11/22-11/23. Classrooms will celebrate Spanish speaking countries with food and decoration. Will have country presentations in the gym and dances. Kids will have a "passport to adventure" that they will use to visit other classrooms and age appropriate craft activities. Jennifer starting a planning committee. Organized by staff, open to parents.

D. Treasurer Report

See attached report. Misty has made a file with usernames and passwords to keep track of all accounts and printing hard copies of documents and keeping in a binder. Chris brought up an audit, do we need to pay for one even if we haven't had any

transactions? APC Board has never had an audit. Misty will get prices and investigate as a treasurer responsibility.

Discussed raising money for the APC. Concerned that our community might have fundraiser fatigue, would like to be selective and develop a plan. Jennifer would welcome ideas for fundraiser for the APC and will vote on ideas at next meeting.

E. APC Board Calendar

Believe Kids fundraiser can be removed from timeline. Would like to do a group picture of the board.

VIII.Unfinished Business

A. Policy manual review

Heather and Jody put together a list from the policy manual with suggestions to archive and update. The group systematically went through the list and voted to make changes. Heather and Jody will update the policy manual to reflect changes discussed.

Chris made a motion to accept changes to policy manual, Beckie 2nds. No discussion or any objections, motion passes.

Misty made a motion to organize by topic and then by dates within policy manual, Chris 2nds. Discussion about putting policy manual in a database using software to allow us to search materials easier. No objection, motion passes.

IX. New Business

A. Review Foraker agenda and strategic plan

Training session scheduled Nov 9 in Señora Cooks classroom from 5-8pm. Mike has a copy of the strategic plan and planning on doing a board boot camp. Board members are asked to come to training have read board training book and plan. Also will discuss 2017 priorities at next meeting. Chris states at previous board training the group decided a 2015 plan and set priorities at their first session. Board then turns plan back to Jennifer and staff to review. Beckie states the school board does the same. We will work towards having back and forth with board and staff while revisiting plans quarterly.

B. B. Family language acquisition

We have offered Spanish classes in the past for families which were taught by founders and teachers, parents signed up and paid for them. Discussion about doing classes now, we would focus on immersion model, learning alphabet and pronunciation. We would consider asking our teachers if they are interested but would like to look outside or our community for support also. Discussed putting out an inquiry in the newsletter, survey monkey with amigos. Jennifer will ask at staff meeting. What are the costs and interest?

X. Executive Session

Matters generally include those affecting finances and personnel, the public knowledge of which might prove adverse or prejudicial

XI. Future Items/Future Business

Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting 13 December 2016

XII. Final Actions and Adjournment

Jennifer motions to adjourn the meeting at 8:03pm, Misty seconds. Motion passes.

APC Governing Board Members

Heather Charton, Chair

Philippe Onfray, Vice Chair

Misty Adams, Treasurer

Jody Soeder, Secretary

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Sandra Page-Carranza

Lilliana Taner

Chris Whittington-Evans

Jennifer Hutchins (ex-officio), Principal Beckie Murphy-CML