

APC Board
9 FEBRUARY 2016 MINUTES



I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call/Determine Quorum: Heather, Jennifer, Misty, Lilliana, Sandra, Solveig, Chris

IV. Approval of the agenda for today's meeting: Jen motion. Heather 2nd. Unanimously approved. Solveig would like to add discussion of open mtg act under new business.

V. Review meeting protocol

VI. Persons to be Heard. None today.

VII. Standing Agenda

A. Approval of meeting minutes from 12 January 2016. Heather motions to approve. Solveig 2nds. Unanimously approved.

B. Chair Report

Reminder again to speak well of Fronteras in the community as we move towards the new space. Want to maintain a positive presence in the valley.

New legislation that Jen will speak more to in her report

Reminder again to complete budget survey and is it possible to distribute to our school community again. Also recommends attend the budget meetings upcoming.

Elections upcoming. Elections in April-many positions to fill. Chris has appointed the following people to the elections committee: Mandy Lund, Solveig Eidsness, Gwen Schneider, Lynda Denny

Solveig: why not the appointment of Lilliana, Misty, and Erik who had all expressed interest in serving in this process. Chris recommends going to executive session regarding chair appointment of elections committee

Administrator Evaluation traditionally scheduled for March.

Northgate will be extracting gravel nearby portables in the Spring.

Two parties interested in the property. One possibly interested in the portables as well.

Building report:

Completely walled in. Insulated and heated (except for gym). Boilers arriving tomorrow. Installing inflow heat. Reviewing cabinetry for contractor install.

Facilities committee met last week. Staff walk through soon.

We had a break in-stole \$2400 copper.

Borough Acquisition of Seward Meridian extension directly in front of our school. Possible credit back for our development of the road?

C. Principal Report

*Report Attached. Additionally discussion and explanation of HB 157. Jen will make the board aware of any upcoming opportunities to support this bill.

D. Treasurer Report

\$22,629.12 checking

\$25.07 Savings

Nothing outstanding

Budget report

We have never brought the projected report to the board table. Finance committee went through it thoroughly and should bring that to the board for approval, versus resubmitting again and discussions at the meeting.

Misty presents finance committees finding.

FY15 budget report: 2016-17 estimated allocation based on previous year.

Increased the ideal discretionary amount to cushion for the new location.

October is the point that we can provide real numbers that reflect our student budget.

Changes that were made: adding one employee and one classified teacher. there will be additional operations costs. Do not anticipate the allocation being a problem, that we will have plenty to make the bills. We do have the rollover amount, which presently the district allows.

Heather motions to approve the FY16-17 projected budget. Misty 2nd. Unanimously approved.

E. Transition Committee Report

Solveig and Jennifer have been working on furniture planning with staff. Measuring/ordering. Once we know exactly will not be used in the new school, we will mark old for a big surplus pick up at the completion of the academic year.

Boxes will be purchased from the district. we can also get used (good condition) boxes from the Moving Man in Anchorage.

We will be hiring Valley Movers for a couple of days to move as much as they can.

Can teachers begin to box things up that they are not using? Can we store these in the portables at the new site, or should we make room in the conexes? Concerns that things that are needed will be accidentally boxed up. No ultimate decision made on whether or not to allow teachers to begin boxing their un-needed items.

Working on each classroom having a parent coordinator to begin marking items to go/stay.

VIII.Unfinished Business - Action Items

A. Fundraising Update-Erik

Erik not present tonight.

Board agrees that there is not enough time this year for the UAA Art Collaboration Project. April isn't a good time. Don't want it to be rushed. Sandra suggests a fall date as a welcome to the new school.

B. Board Development

Philippe not present tonight. Committee has not met. Chris will talk to Alaska dispatch reporter on a story down the road.

C. Strategic Plan Priorities

Provide suggestions for the upcoming year on priorities for the strategic plan.

Revising/reviewing charter seems to be a high priority. Charter not up until 2023. Change charter through amendments. Need to find out how to go about revising the charter from a legal perspective.

Jen would like to see us enhance our business and community partnerships.

IX. New Business

A. Election Committee By Law Interpretation

Solveig as a staff on APC, but that she should be allowed to serve on the committee as a parent. No objection of her to serve on the committee.

B. Mat-Su Charter Coalition

Jens Concern: clarification of threat of charter revocation

and we remain very positive and honest. Whoever is representing us, will not speak without permission.

Misty concerned based on past experiences at Academy, but in theory this could be a great idea.

Chris, this opportunity could influence and improve the state charter school laws. Tabled our permanence on the board, until others can attend at least a meeting.

Jen-to be effective, one person who can travel to Juneau to advocate and someone else who will be willing to work on changing charter school law. Perhaps the MSBSD liaison?
Information sharing is significant. Meets again next Tuesday. Anyone welcome to attend.

Heather moves to extend meeting by 30 min. Lilliana 2nd. Approved.

C. Furnishings and Equipment Purchases

Solveig working with all staff to determine their needs for the new school. Sent list to Patty. Moving forward with ordering student desks now. Do not need to use CIP funds-we have enough in the budget to purchase furniture. Need shelving for curriculum room.

Scoreboard will be split between Amigos and Go for the Gravy

D. Administrator Evaluation Process

Heather would like to be a part of this process. Presently researching ways to ensure that the process is fair, unbiased, reliable methods and meets the Charters expectations. Erik, Heather & Misty will work on this years eval. process.

Motion by Misty to suspend regular meeting and move into executive session.
Lilliana 2nd. Approved.

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: 8 March 2016

XII. Final Actions and Adjournment

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