

Draft Watershed APC Meeting Minutes May 16, 2024

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL: Jason Gillam, APC Chair, called the meeting to order 6:01PM

APC Members: Jarrod Decker (Watershed Charter Principal, non-voting), Jason Gillam (chair), Larissa Sommer (vice chair), David Merrill, Rebecca Hansen, Sacha Layos, Chasity Perez, Sean Walklin, and Erin Otness **were present**

Absent: Abigail Paul (secretary)

Others: Sena Gilbert

CONSENT AGENDA: **None**

Approval of Minutes: [Draft Watershed APC Meeting Minutes April 18, 2024](#) Moved to approve by Layos; seconded by Otness.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: no comments

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT by Jarrod Decker: **Budget Update, Highlights**
Attach the report and related documents here

ACTION ITEMS List titles of discussion items here with attached documents

Add very brief conclusions or resulting plans under each title if needed

Attendance Policy Proposal: Decker had informal discussions with parents and one email from a parent who did not make it a public comment.

Parents/Guardians of a student with an attendance policy violation may submit a written appeal within ____ days of final attendance notification; all appeals will be considered by the APC. A student is considered in violation of the attendance policy when absences exceed 25 total school days. Students who are late will be marked as tardy. Eight tardies will count as one full-day absence and will count towards the 25-day absence limit. If an appeal is filed, and approved, the student will be placed on a probationary attendance year for the following school year. If the student violates the attendance policy during their probationary year, the student will be removed from Watershed at the end of that school year, without the possibility of appeal, and will default to the Parent Student Handbook Attendance Policy for readmittance, if so desired.

Amendment 1 discussion: removing "without the possibility of appeal" in the last sentence.

Amendment 1 vote: PASSED: 8

FOR: 8

AGAINST: 0

Amendment 2 discussion: moved sentences for more clarity.

Amendment 2 vote: PASSED: 8
FOR: 8
AGAINST: 0

Amendment 3 discussion: remove: "within ___ days of final attendance notification; all appeals will" and replace with "to":

Amendment 3 vote: PASSED: 8
FOR: 8
AGAINST: 0

Amendment 4 discussion: Changed "8 tardies will count as one full day absence" to "Four tardies will count as one half day absence":

Amendment 4 vote: PASSED: 8
FOR: 8
AGAINST: 0

Removed the word "will" in the last sentence.

Amended attendance Policy Proposal moved by Merrill; seconded by Hansen.

PASSED: 8
FOR: 8
AGAINST: 0

Attendance Policy Final Language- passed unanimously

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2024-2025 Calendar Revisions:

Moved by Merrill; seconded by Otness.

PASSED: 8
FOR: 8
AGAINST: 0

APC Vacancy: Merrill nominated Melissa Clemente, Gillam seconded.

PASSED: 8
FOR: 8
AGAINST: 0

FY25 Budget: Tabled for a later date.

The next APC meeting is scheduled for a later date at PM

APC Chair, Jason Gillam, adjourned the meeting at 7:24 PM (no motion needed)