

Fireweed Academy Charter School

APC Approved Minutes

Nov 9, 2011 5pm

Members Present: Erica Marley, Kelly Behen, Kim Fine, Paula Kulhanek, Kristen Metz, Shawnisty Webber,

Kiki Abrahamson joined via phone at 5:45pm

Absent Members: Shannon McBride-Morin, Corrie Ellington

Guests: none

Motion: Kim Fine moved to approve the following minutes: 5/3/11, 7/12/11, 8/16/11 and 10/12/11. The motion was seconded by Paula Kulhanek and passed unanimously.

APC board elections need to happen this month. Everyone has been appointed/voted with the exception of Shannon McBride-Morin. Hers is a renewed position. Janet is directed to conduct a vote within the FWA families. When this is completed, Janet is directed to send out the APC board membership list.

There was a fundraising debriefing provided by Kristen Metz. Between 12 and 13 thousand dollars were raised. Thanks to the hard work of many volunteers, including Kristin and Shannon McBride Morin, the whole event was smoother and faster. The 'split the pot' and 'Raise your paddle' were great additions. The fundraising committee will be discussing potential changes-changing the timing to earlier to accommodate the younger kids, possibly splitting the fundraiser into two separate fundraisers for the two schools, having the 6th grade fieldtrip fundraiser happen at a different time.

Motion: Paula Kulhanek moved to write thank you notes to Kristen and Shannon. Kelly Behen seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Kelly Behen and Paula Kulhanek reported on the Charter School Conference that they attended in Anchorage. The Keynote Speaker was Brian Carpenter. Paula and Kelly will provide monthly mini APC trainings gleaned from Brian Carpenter's BoardWiser Plus program.

Motion: Erica Marley moved to approve the purchase of Brain Carpenters BoardWiser Plus program, part of the Charter School University program. The motion was seconded by Kim Fine and passed unanimously.

Principal Kiki Abrahamson's report: Kiki her meeting in the district regarding the Charter renewal. The process is going well. It looks as though we will be renewed at the December 7th

Board meeting. Dave is working on a MOA between Fireweed and West Homer Elementary. Dave and Kiki and Ray Marshall, Principal of WHE will be meeting to figure out shared space issues. We will be given a portable for next year to help ease our space concerns. If needed, we will be able to bring some 2nd graders to the west facility.

Kiki said Sandy Miller will find money for Edan Badajos (title 1 Tutor) to attend a monthly intervention meeting at Little Fireweed.

Kiki reported that Tim Peterson said the maximum amount that Kiki's stipend can be is \$25,903.44.

Amanda Miller is moving to a fulltime SPED position. A .25 teacher position has been posted and will close today.

Motion: Kim Fine moves to amend Kiki's stipend to \$25,903.44. The move was seconded by Shawnisty and passed unanimously.

Motion: Kim Fine moves to award discretionary time to complete administrative work outside the instructional day. Seconded by Erica Marley. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Paula Kulhanek moved to nominate Shawnisty Webber as Fireweed Academy's APC Board President. The motion was seconded by Kim Fine and passed unanimously.

There was a discussion regarding the success of the Little Fireweed playground, acknowledging all the effort put in by parents. Those who participated will be invited to next month's meeting for an acknowledgement of their hard work.

Meeting closed at 6:50pm

Submitted by Janet Bowen