

Fireweed Academy
'Where students learn to view themselves as readers, writers, and problem solvers'

APC Approved Minutes
12-12-12

Members Present: Kathy Vogl, Kim Fine, Matt Strobel, Pauli Iida, Amanda Miller Kary Brinson

Members Absent: Kelly Behen, Garry Betley, Kristen Metz

Staff: Janet Bowen-staff, Kiki Abrahamson-Principal, Deb Schmidt-teacher, Jon Kulhanek-teacher

Guests: Paula Kulhanek-parent

Meeting called to order at 4:30pm

Public Comments: Kiki referred to a parent complaint and spoke about the procedure for parents to resolve concerns as well as safeguarding the rights of an employee. Kim **moved** to place the procedure on the agenda to discuss a plan of action. Amanda **2nd the motion** and it **pass unanimously**.

Amanda **Moved to** approve the 11-7-12 minutes, Kathy **seconded the motion** and it **passed unanimously** with no discussion.

Kim **moved** to accept Kary Brinson as the 2nd community rep for Fireweed Academy beginning immediately, Kathy **seconded** and the motion **passed unanimously**.

FWA Secretary Janet Bowen passed out newly created APC notebooks that include an APC membership list, School and APC calendars, FWA's charter contract and bylaws, a section on ethics and a section on meetings, including The Basics of Roberts Rules of Order, Gordon Tan's interpretation of the open Meetings Act, and a BoardSource article on Executive Sessions. More training articles can be added from future trainings.

Kiki made changes/additions to the APC calendar-Janet will email updated copies to the APC members

Kiki spoke to the budget and possible staff reduction for next year. We are currently \$115,000 in the hole. But this does not reflect the rollover funds. Kiki requests help and input from staff and APC members in preparing the staffing plan for next year. Kiki has a new, adjusted budget from Laurie Olson; she will check the numbers and get back to the members.

Kim generated a list of some out reach options and staffing ideas- see attached list. Other ideas discussed included service projects, starting a parent group, parent letters to the editor. Janet is to

add the discussion of Staffing to the January meeting agenda, the deadline for internal transfer applications is Feb.1, 2013

A discussion was held regarding the process parents use when they have a complaint. At the request of the APC, Kiki is to confer with Tim Peterson regarding KPBSD protocol.

Matt **moved** to adjourn the meeting, **seconded** by Amanda. **Motion passed with unanimous consent** at 6:00pm. The next regular APC meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at Little Fireweed Academy 813 East End Road, Homer Alaska

Submitted by Janet Bowen