

Fireweed Academy  
'Where students learn to view themselves as readers, writers, and problem solvers'  
Academic Policy Committee Meeting  
Approved Minutes  
June 10, 2015

**APC Members Present:** Hannah Gustafson, Amber Niebuhr, Garry Betley, Kary Brinson, Stephanie Zuniga

**Members absent:** Matt Strobel, Jon Kulhanek, Kate Henry, Brandy McGee

**Committee Members Present:**

**Staff Present:** Kiki Abrahamson, Kim Fine Janet Bowen (for building tour only)

**Public Comments:** None

**Tour of Alaska Wildberry Building:** Everyone met at the Alaska Wildberry Building for a tour of the facility and grounds in advance of the APC meeting. The owners are supportive of charter schools, have met with Kiki and Amber, and are interested in renting to FWA.

Meeting called to order at 5:23 pm

**Motion:** Hannah moved to approve the agenda with the amendment of bumping the committee reports, Kary seconded and motion passed with unanimous consent.

**Approving May's minutes was postponed until the July meeting because it didn't include the motion making Amber the Chair.**

**Administrators Report:** Next year's configuration will be Kim (kindergarten), Betsy (1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>), Jon (2<sup>nd</sup>), Mo (interventionist at both schools) and Sharilyn (FT aide), there is still a PT non-instructional aide position that needs to be filled at LFW. Kiki attended the Charter Oversight Committee on June 1 asking for an extension from 5 years to 10 years for charter renewals, there was no decision on that as well as some of the other things brought up to the committee. Kiki has sent an email regarding the unanswered questions.

**Budget Committee:** It looks as if the final carryover for the year is around \$132,000 as opposed to the goal of \$141,000. This number may adjust some after the year-end reconciliation. The yurt has been purchased and will be installed by June 30. The gravel has been purchased for the parking lot and Dave Ritchie is doing the work.

**Strategic planning updates:** These were put on hold for now.

**Open APC Position.**

Matt has resigned as chair and is also vacating his position. A new parent rep needs to be appointed. Kiki will send an email to all parents including incoming Kindergarteners to alert them of the opportunity. There was some discussion about how the inclusion of community reps on our APC is against state statute, but in line with our bylaws therefore we either need to change our bylaws or submit a waiver.

**Discussion on Alaska Wildberry as One Campus Site:** Next steps include: contacting the Fire Marshall, getting bids on sprinklers and bathrooms, getting a copy of the building inspection. It was noted that any changes in facilities need to be submitted by October 1 (for the following year) and July 1, 2016 would be when we would occupy the new space.

**MOTION: at 6:31pm Amber moved to adjourn, seconded by Kary, motion passes with unanimous consent.**

Minutes submitted by Hannah Gustafson