

Fireweed Academy
'Where students learn to view themselves as readers, writers, and problem solvers'
APC APPROVED Minutes
11-13-2013

Members Present: Kary Brinson, Matt Strobel, Stephanie Zuniga, Kathy Vogl, Kristen Metz, Jon Kulhanek

Members absent: Hannah Gustafson, Kelly Behen

Staff Present: Janet Bowen, Kiki Abrahamson, Kim Fine,

Guests: Paula Kulhanek

Public Comments: none

Meeting called to order at 4:35 pm

Motion: Kary moved to approve the agenda as is, Kathy seconded and motion passed with unanimous consent.

Motion: Kary moved to approve the October 2013 minutes as is, seconded by Matt and motion passed with unanimous consent.

Administrators Report:

Kiki reported on the Administrators meeting in Soldotna that she attended today. The district will be proactive with coming to line in regards to the new state regulations regarding teacher evaluations. 25% of evaluations will be tied to student progress effective July 2015. The APC will need to work hard so focus does not turn to 'teaching to the tests.'

Enrollment is low district-wide, not just at Fireweed. We do have to prospective students currently going through the enrollment process...spending a day at school (both students have done this) and then parents meet with Kiki a teacher and an APC member –these meetings are being set up.

Kiki reported that our budget is status quo.

Exit interviews:

While not complete for the two families who left earlier this year, Kelly has initiated contact with them. There was a discussion regarding who exactly should be interviewed. Janet was asked to create a list of everyone who was enrolled last year and did not return and give this list to Kelly for follow-up

APC Elections:

Janet reported on the recent APC Elections. Matt Strobel, Kelly Behen and Hannah Gustafson we retain to their seats for 2 years. Heather Bremmicker also showed interest in joining the APC but let Janet know too late-the night before the election. Janet encouraged her to attend the APC meetings as a non-member and perhaps be available is seats opened up unexpected in the near future. Libby Veasey, director of HOWL was mentioned as a write-in.

It was noted that Stephanie's seat also came up this October and the process of filling her seat should have been addressed as well. This seat is by staff appointment and will be dealt with via email and approved at the next APC meeting.

Motion: Kary moved to accept Jon Kulhanek as a staff representative, Hannah Gustafson as a student representative, and Kelly Behen as a community representative. Kristin Seconded the motion passed unanimously.

Motion: At 5:20pm Kristen moved to enter into an executive session with the Administrator, seconded by Kathy and passed unanimously.

Motion: at 6:09pm, Kathy moved to return to the regular SPC session, seconded by Kary. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: At 6:10pm Jon moved to adjourn, seconded by Kary, motion passed unanimously.