

MINUTES
ACADEMY OF PERSONALIZED LEARNING
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

2195 Larkspur Lane, Suite 100, Redding CA 96002
October 5, 2011, 3:00 pm

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I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS

Vanessa Burger X Rosanne Blevins X Hillary Cubbage
Patricia Dougherty X Christine Eatmon X Crickett Miller X
Christie Morris X Randy Ritchie X Isaiah Ritchie X
Lynn Weidenkeller X

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by: Patricia Dougherty Seconded by: Lynn Weidenkeller Vote: 6/0 (Not everyone had arrived yet to the meeting.)

II. COMMUNICATIONS

1. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None
2. INFORMATION: Director's Report
 - a. Partitions are being installed in the "commons area" to create more teacher, student, and parent work areas. Storage cabinets have also been set up to clear the conference room.
 - b. APL has two new Board members: Mary Ewart and Jeannie Eminger.
 - c. The Board is considering adopting the use of I-pads to reduce the extensive use of photocopying and paper for the monthly Board packets.
 - d. Families are pleased with the classes being offered on-site.
 - e. Teachers are working hard to resolve issues with the Student Information System on which attendance, grades, and comments are documented. School Pathways is trying to fix programming errors. Due dates for records have been postponed.
3. INFORMATION: Teachers' Report
 - a. Discussion about Pathways/Grading and the webinar that teachers attended on Monday, 10/3.
 - b. Open House will be Monday, October 24.
 - c. Picture Day is this Friday, October 7.
 - d. There was a discussion about emergencies, the potential for loss of electricity, and need for back-up power. Renato Silva will attend training about 911 emergency calls at the Shasta County Office of Education.
 - e. There was further discussion about the student and visitor check-in systems that APL is investigating. We may need a dual system of finger screening and a card system for

families reluctant to use the finger screening check-in. Employees will wear magnetic badges of identification.

4. INFORMATION: Students' Report
 - a. This was Isaiah Ritchie's first Advisory Council meeting. He does not attend site classes at APL, but he is concurrently enrolled at Shasta College, and taking classes there.
 - b. The Council is still in need of another student member.

5. INFORMATION: Governing Board Report: Crickett Miller
 - a. The Board approved APL's unaudited actuals.
 - b. A new member joined the Board, Mary Ewart.
 - c. The Board did a first reading of the following policies:
 - 1) Emergency Plans
 - 2) Public Solicitation on School Campus
 - 3) Registration of Visitors/Guests
 - d. The APLUS+ Conference for Personalized Learning Schools will be in Sacramento in October.
 - e. The Board discussed the Director's evaluation.
 - f. The Board will be involved in APL's WASC process.

III. INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** Approve the minutes from September 7, 2011
Motion by: Patricia Dougherty Seconded by: Rosanne Blevins Vote: 9/0

2. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** Discuss survey results and plan new survey.
Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____ Vote: N/A
 - Christie Morris talked about Survey Monkey, a commercial survey document that can be purchased.
 - The Council discussed the wording of questions with several members saying they preferred turning questions into statements with respondents agreeing or disagreeing.
 - Crickett suggested having the survey being part of a monthly assignment to encourage more participation by families.

3. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** WASC accreditation
Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____ Vote: N/A
WASC will be the topic for the October teacher meeting.

4. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** New Council members
Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____ Vote: N/A
No new members to seat.

5. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** Policy: Public Solicitations on School Grounds – 1st reading
Motion by: Lynn Weidenkeller Seconded by: Christie Morris Vote: 9/0

6. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** Policy: Emergency Plans– 1st reading
Motion by: Patricia Dougherty Seconded by: Rosanne Blevins Vote: 9/0

7. INFORMATION/ACTION: Policy: Registration of Visitors/Guests– 1st reading
Motion by: Rosanne Blevins Seconded by: Vanessa Burger Vote: 9/0

8. INFORMATION/ACTION: Changes to Student and Parent Handbook
Motion by: Lynn Weidenkeller Seconded by: Christine Eatmon Vote: 9/0

VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Council will do a second reading on policies next month, with the expectation that members will read and submit changes to Crickett electronically before the meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at _____ 5:00 PM _____.