

**MINUTES**  
**ACADEMY OF PERSONALIZED LEARNING**  
**ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

2195 Larkspur Lane, Suite 100, Redding CA 96002  
September 7, 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                           Crickett Miller  X   
Christie Morris  X                       Randy Ritchie                           Isaiah Ritchie       
Lynn Weidenkeller  X

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by: Rosanne Blevins                      Seconded by: Vanessa Burger                      Vote: 5/0

**II. COMMUNICATIONS**

A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Brief discussion centering upon new school year and new site with attendant excitement and challenges.

B. INFORMATION: Director's Report

1. APL's new site has a 5 year lease with exemption clause (loss of charter or 20% decline in enrollment or funding) and 5 year renewal option.
2. Dr. Dougherty is working to develop a partnership with National University in the following ways:
  - a) National's student teachers observing APL classes.
  - b) APL teachers receiving discount for classes at National University.
  - c) National offers high school classes that might be of interest to APL students.
3. APL is working with Charter to secure internet for our school site.

C. INFORMATION: Teachers' Report

1. Discussion about students checking in and out of the school, with the pros and cons of ID cards and fingerprint technology.
2. Discussion of the use of the building's access doors.
  - a) North and south doors are not to be used and will have an internal alarm that will sound upon opening.
  - b) Families will use the front door.
  - c) Staff will use the keypad and enter/exit using the side door.
3. Discussion about lunchtime and appropriate rooms for eating, handling the numbers of students, and other issues/protocols for supervision and easing the flow.

4. There will be signage indicating room numbers on the walls as well as protruding from them for ease of visibility.
5. It was noted that some teachers had prepared their families well for on-site classes, providing them with schedules with their classes highlighted. This helped alleviate the morning press of staff helping students find their schedule and classes.
6. Recess is built into the Wednesday and Friday schedules but with no outdoor space available, this time may not be necessary as originally planned. Teachers will discuss this at their monthly meeting in September.
7. Pride of ownership was discussed, with the hope that a new facility will engender more care being taken of it by students and staff alike.
8. Students' academic work and artwork as well as information of interest to students and families will be displayed on bulletin boards and in frames to keep our site looking professional.

D. INFORMATION: Students' Report: N/A – no students in attendance.

E. INFORMATION: Governing Board Report: Crickett Miller reported on the August APL Board meeting as follows:

1. The Board ratified the staff employment agreements for 2011-12.
2. David Ewart gave a science presentation about the SMART science grant and community science intern program.
3. The Board reviewed the Vendor Elective Provider program for the coming school year.
4. The Board renewed the contract for this year's SARC Report.
5. APlus+ Conference will be in October.
6. The Board reviewed the schedule of on-site classes for this school year.
7. The Board ratified participation in BTSA (Beginning Teacher Support Agreement) through El Dorado County Charter SELPA.
8. The Board ratified the lease agreement for our new site.
9. The Board will be discussing WASC throughout the year.

### III. INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** Approve the minutes from August 10, 2011  
**Motion by: Rosanne Blevins    Seconded by: Patricia Dougherty    Vote: 6/0**
  
2. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** Discuss survey results and plan new survey.  
 Council members will study survey document and make comments on improving it at the next Council meeting.  
**Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_    Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_    Vote: N/A**
  
3. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** WASC accreditation  
 The WASC leadership team will meet at 8:30 am on September 27<sup>th</sup> at the Shasta Union High School District. At each monthly APL staff meeting, the morning will be devoted to WASC.  
**Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_    Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_    Vote: N/A**

**4. INFORMATION/ACTION: New Council members**

The Council is still in need of new members: a high school student and the parent of an elementary student. These positions will be advertised in the newsletter and it was suggested that teachers might think of viable candidates for these positions.

**Motion by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Seconded by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Vote: N/A**

**VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**The Council will consider items for future Council Meeting Agendas:**

1. Discuss and update Student/Parent Handbook in October.
2. Discuss survey document.
3. Discuss WASC.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.