

MINUTES
ACADEMY OF PERSONALIZED LEARNING
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
2195 Larkspur Lane, Suite 100, Redding CA 96002
June 5, 2013, 3:30 pm

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I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER: 3:41 pm

B. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS

Vanessa Burger X

Patricia Dougherty X

Crickett Miller X

Mitchell Moutard X

Natalie Moutard X

Isaiah Ritchie

Randy Ritchie

Lynn Weidenkeller X

Peggy Youmans

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by: Dr. Dougherty

Seconded by: Natalie Moutard

Vote: 6/0/0

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

B. INFORMATION: Director's Report

- We had a wonderful graduation ceremony for our seniors. Teachers, board members, and graduating seniors were seated on the stage. The auditorium was full, with standing room only, for family and friends of the graduates.
- 8th grade promotion went well. Participants enjoyed the ice cream social and the sunflowers, which they were given.
- School safety: The check-in system has been installed, panic buttons are in place, and the emergency door lock will be stalled by Giles Lock Company next week.
- Fall class schedules are getting set and being shared with parents. We will be using the Common Core standards, integrating math and science as well as language arts and history in the core classes.
- APL will have two student teachers from Simpson University in the fall. One of them will teach advanced level math courses onsite.
- We are planning to develop a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Academy in our upstairs space. We are currently seeking grants to set up a second computer lab upstairs also.
- We hope to present our Charter for renewal at the GUSD September Board meeting (or October, at the latest). We will collect letters of support and signed petitions from our students' families, and encourage their attendance at the Board meeting.
- APL hopes to show gains on our STAR testing scores, but we don't know yet how well students performed on the tests.

- APL will be implementing a pre-test in math to assess students' need for the CAHSEE prep class. Students who do not test well will be expected to participate in the CAHSEE prep class. They will exit the class after passing the CAHSEE.

C. INFORMATION: Teachers' Report

- Vanessa Burger shared that teachers are wrapping up their end of the year meetings and paperwork as well as starting to plan for next year. Her families have expressed that they like the common core class set-up for next year.
- Lynn Weidenkeller said that she has been helping to shelve returned books in the library, and that families have been making serious efforts to return all materials and clear their check-out lists. She has also been returning projects to students as they come in for their meetings and ordering ceramics supplies for next year.
- Dr. Dougherty stated that Darla Moore and Iva Weidenkeller have been busy checking teacher records to make sure they have been completed in preparation for our audit. The auditor will be coming to APL the last week in June. Jensine Atzet and Arlen Nason have been busy also, entering fall classes into SIS. Sign-ups for fall classes will commence later this month.
- Crickett Miller felt that our recent Science Fair was the best event we've had, with the most turn-out of participants. Vanessa Burger concurred.
- Dr. Dougherty talked about the push-back she has received from some parents on Common Core standards and people's fears about the coming change to these standards. A discussion ensued about Common Core standards and the fears associated with them.

D. INFORMATION: Students' Report: none

E. INFORMATION: Governing Board Report:

Lynn Weidenkeller reported the information from the May Board meeting.

III. INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. INFORMATION/ACTION: Approve the Minutes from May 1, 2013

Motion by: Dr. Dougherty Seconded by: Natalie Moutard Vote: 6/0/0

2. INFORMATION/ACTION: New Council Members

Jeanna Parks has indicated interest in serving on the Advisory Council. Gina Lowe had already said she would be willing to participate. Peggy Youmans will be stepping down from the Council. Mitchell Moutard's participation will depend upon his class schedule, as he will be taking classes at Shasta College in the fall. Crickett Miller will check with the Ritchies to find out what their plans are for the fall. We still need more parent members on the Council.

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____ Vote: N/A

3. INFORMATION/ACTION: 2013/2014 Meeting dates/times

There was nothing new to report, but the Council will check dates/times for next year's meetings when we reconvene with new members in the fall.

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____ Vote: N/A

4. INFORMATION/ACTION: Charter Re-write

The Council continued to work on revisions to the Charter. Crickett Miller will work with Dr. Dougherty on some of the material and email the final version to the rest of the Council members for their input.

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____ **Vote:** N/A

VI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Council will consider items for future Council Meeting Agendas:

- **Babysitting for children of Council members during the meetings**
- **Charter re-write**
- **Council members for 2013/14**
- **Meeting dates and times for 2013/14**

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 pm_____.