

**MINUTES**  
**ACADEMY OF PERSONALIZED LEARNING**  
**ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**  
2195 Larkspur Lane, Suite 100, Redding CA 96002  
March 5, 2014, 3:30 pm

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**I. PRELIMINARY**

**A. CALL TO ORDER: 3:42 pm**

**B. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS**

Amy Baber X      Vanessa Burger           Patricia Dougherty X      Gina Lowe X  
Crickett Miller X      Mitchell Moutard X      Natalie Moutard X      Jeanna Parks X  
Elise Van Riper           Jessica Van Riper           Lynn Weidenkeller X      Peggy Youmans X

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by: Dr. Dougherty      Seconded by: Jeanna Parks      Vote: 9/0/0**

**II. COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None**

**B. INFORMATION: Director's Report**

- APL is gearing up for the new Cal Maps state testing. Teachers have been making a diligent effort to help children learn how to navigate the computer test. This assessment is a field test of the program and student scores will not count. Staff and parents can provide feedback to the state about the test.
- APL's Charter has been received back from Eric Premac. We will begin making final changes to the Charter to prepare for presentation to the GUSD. The Charter will include the newest state legislation regarding education.
- APL's Board has ratified the renting of additional space upstairs. The new space will include at least two more computer labs, more classrooms, and a conference room. The area upstairs will be used for high school students, while elementary classes will remain on the first floor. We will need to make some changes, such as putting windows in some rooms. National University is moving to a different location.

**C. INFORMATION: Teachers' Report**

- Peggy Youmans reported that her classes have practiced testing on the computers, which the students have enjoyed.
- Jeanna Parks did practice testing with 11<sup>th</sup> graders yesterday.
- Gina Lowe said her 8<sup>th</sup> graders practiced English/Language Arts testing. It required a lot of writing on the part of the students.
- Mitchell Moutard said that his 9<sup>th</sup> grade sister had pre-calculus on her test, which is beyond what she has studied in math.
- Amy Baber said that her daughter also reported that she encountered questions on the test which she has not yet studied.

- On a different note, Jeanna Parks expressed appreciation for staff and parents who have been helping cover duties for absent employees.

D. INFORMATION: Students' Report

- Mitchell Moutard said that the new testing requires students to think, and that this was a shift from previous testing.
- Mitchell asked what "common" of common core means and the teachers present responded to his question.

E. INFORMATION: Governing Board Report

Lynn Weidenkeller gave the Board Report for Crickett Miller.

**III. INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS:**

**1. INFORMATION/ACTION:** Approve the Minutes from February 5, 2014.

**Motion by: Dr. Dougherty      Seconded by: Gina Lowe      Vote: 9/0/0**

**2. INFORMATION/ACTION:** Education for Homeless Children

There is new legislation regarding how schools treat homeless children and making sure they are getting educated. This is affecting traditional schools more than home school programs like ours, especially in areas such as transportation and food programs.

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

**3. INFORMATION/ACTION:** Update on Charter, Petitions and Letters of Support

Dr. Dougherty hopes that staff members are collecting petitions and letters of support for our Charter renewal. We will create one Charter binder and a thumb drive (that cannot be replicated) for the renewal to present to GUSD.

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

**VI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

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

- **Charter renewal**
- **State testing**
- **Program development**
- **Calendar for 2014-15 year**

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 pm.