

**MINUTES**  
**ACADEMY OF PERSONALIZED LEARNING**  
**GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**  
**2195 Larkspur Lane Suite #100, Redding CA 96002**  
**December 15, 2011**  
**5:15 pm**  
**Regular Meeting**

Americans with Disabilities

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**I. PRELIMINARY**

- A. **CALL TO ORDER: 5:15 pm**
- B. **ROLL CALL**  
Greg Beale   X   Sharyi Hanson   X   Jeannie Eminger   X   Molly Oliver         
Mary Ewart   X   Crickett Miller   X
- C. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- D. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**  
Motion by: Mary Ewart      Seconded by: Sharyi Hanson      Vote: 3/0

**II. COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None
- B. INFORMATION: Director's Report
  - 1. Dr. Dougherty presented gifts to the Board Members and Crickett Miller, Advisory Council President: apples that she had crafted from clay, with a card containing a quote from the Polar Express.
  - 2. Dr. Dougherty gave the Board Members an article from the New York Times about online charter schools. Some of these schools are making a lot of money and not educating children well.
  - 3. The tier two trigger for APL is about \$13 dollars (cut to ADA) instead of \$189. We had planned for a possible cut when planning the budget, so this is something we can work with.
  - 4. P1 for APL is 389 students.
  - 5. After WASC review, we want to start looking for a new sponsor for our charter, just in case we do not get renewed by Gateway USD.
  - 6. Our current enrollment is about 440 students.
- C. INFORMATION: Advisory Council Report: Crickett Miller
  - 1. The December Advisory Council meeting was canceled due to illness and schedule conflicts, and rescheduled for January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
  - 2. Crickett and Christy Morris are working with Survey Monkey to create a new survey for our families.
  - 3. Crickett will be calling potential focus group members about our focus group meeting on January 9th.
- D. For Information: Board/Staff Discussions
  - 1. Robin Thorne shared artwork being created by students in Candy Woodson's art class and her art class.

**III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved/enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or removed from the agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board votes on them. The Executive Director recommends approval of all consent agenda items.

1. Approval Minutes of Board Meeting 11/17/2011
2. Warrant Register

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by: Jeannie Eminger      Seconded by: Mary Ewart      Vote: 3/0

**IV. INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **INFORMATION/ACTION: Approve 1st Interim Budget**

Dr. Dougherty stated that we are in a good financial position. We have spent funds to set up our site and stock the library, but our enrollment has been growing.

Motion by: Sharyi Hanson      Seconded by: Jeannie Eminger      Vote: 3/0

2. **INFORMATION/ACTION: Approve Audited Financial Statements**

This was year two with auditors Fedderson and Company and we had no audit exceptions. Our audit went very well.

Motion by: Jeannie Eminger      Seconded by: Mary Ewart      Vote: 3/0

3. **INFORMATION/ACTION: Ratify Changes To 2011/2012 School Calendar**

Several weeks worth of classes that had been designated as independent study days are being changed to on-site class days in order to give on-site classes more instructional time with students.

Motion by: Mary Ewart      Seconded by: Jeannie Eminger      Vote: 3/0

4. **INFORMATION/ACTION: Financial Update From DOF**

Department of Education Finance Office (information only)

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_      Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_      Vote: \_\_\_\_\_NA\_\_\_\_\_

5. **INFORMATION/ACTION : WASC Visitation Update: January 9, 2011 Focus Group Meeting**

This event will be from 4-6 pm on 1/9/12. Crickett Miller is calling potential parent/family members for focus groups. Board Members will be involved in this event along with staff and APL families. On 3/4/12, the WASC team will meet with Board Members. The WASC team will spend March 5, 6, and 7<sup>th</sup> on-site, and they will present their findings on the last afternoon of their visit, 3/7/12.

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_      Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_      Vote: \_\_\_\_\_NA\_\_\_\_\_

6. **INFORMATION/ACTION: CSI STEM Academy Workshop**

Dave Ewart will be taking students to the STEM Academy. Dr. Dougherty is asking the Board to cover the cost of accommodations and entry to the events, about \$2400 dollars. Subsequently, we plan to have a workshop here this summer, after the students receive the training, and they will be student leaders.

Motion by: Sharyi Hanson      Seconded by: Jeannie Eminger      Vote: 3/0

Mary Ewart recused herself for this vote, and Greg Beale voted in her place.

7. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** Ratify Agreements for New Employees

**APL is hiring 5 new teachers at quarter time to teach on-site classes and begin working with families. The new hires are: Matthew Miller, Jennifer Coxey, Cortney Pratt, Shannon Effa, and Veronica Yonge.**

**Motion by: Mary Ewart    Seconded by: Jeannie Eminger    Vote: 3/0**

V. **CLOSED SESSION**

No Closed Session Items

VIII. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Board will consider items for future Board Meeting Agendas.

1. WASC accreditation
2. Rewrite of Charter
3. Scheduling and calendars for next school year.

(Sharyi Hanson expressed her son Kyle's appreciation for being allowed to hang his artwork in the lobby of APL. She also shared news that his heart defect has healed itself.)

IX. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 pm.