

**Minutes**  
**ACADEMY OF PERSONALIZED LEARNING**  
**GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**  
**224 Hartnell Avenue, Redding CA 96002**  
**February 16, 2011**  
**5:15 pm**  
**Regular Meeting**

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**I. PRELIMINARY**

- A. CALL TO ORDER: 5:16 PM**
- B. ROLL CALL**  
Greg Beale   X   Sharyi Hanson   X   Christine Davies   X   Molly Oliver   X    
Ole Olson   X   Crickett Miller   X
- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**  
**Motion by:** Christine Davies      **Seconded by:** Ole Olson      **Vote:** 5/0

**II. COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: No presentations**
- B. INFORMATION: Director's Report**
  - 1.) Site improvements and space allocation: Dr. Dougherty discussed APL's site needs, in which we are working with the City of Redding to improve our space, as well as working with an Agent to find space that is currently available in case we need to move to another facility.
  - 2.) SARC Report: School Accountability Report Card: Dr. Dougherty discussed the hiring of School Innovations & Advocacy, Inc. to complete and publish a professional SARC report.
  - 3.) Charter school bills introduced: Dr. Dougherty shared information regarding the following Bills that have been introduced at the State level.
    - a.) AB 401 (Ammiano) – Cap on charter schools
    - b.) AB 440 (Brownley) – Charter school operational changes
  - 4.) State budget update: Dr. Dougherty presented the latest update on the Governor's proposals for the budgets. Budget problems are not settled, as much negotiation is still in process. To maintain current levels of K-12 funding for next year will depend upon taxpayer approval to extend temporary tax increases.
  - 5.) Leadership Redding: Dr. Dougherty has been asked to participate in a panel discussion on Educational Choice on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. She will include our newest Brochures and a presentation of the newest DVD published by the APlus+ Association of Personalized Learning Schools.
  - 6.) APL graduation: Set for June 1, 2011 at the McLaughlin Auditorium. APL currently has 33 seniors in line to graduate, several of whom will receive a Certificate of Completion if they do not pass the CAHSEE.
  - 7.) Enrollment: 401 students

C. INFORMATION: Advisory Council Report: Crickett Miller

- 1.) A student and parent have expressed interest in serving on the Advisory Council: Dylan Ferreira (student) and Jennifer Ferreira (parent): The Board Members will ratify the Advisory Council's selection at their March Meeting.
- 2.) Discussed STAR incentives: A team of teachers are working on ways to enhance our students' performance on the STAR testing. They are gathering ideas from their colleagues.
- 3.) DIBELS training for teachers: Materials are being ordered for our Staff. The teachers will facilitate assessments with their students this year. They will also collect data at the beginning of next school year as well.
- 4.) Communication issues between various aspects of school community: Crickett discussed the struggle we seem to be having with the "breakdown" in communication with some of our families. The newsletter is posted on the website. Staff members are to have conversations with their families, and remind them to refer to their newsletters, which are also mailed to the homes of all our students.
- 5.) Graduation: We are in the planning stage for our June 1<sup>st</sup> 12th grade graduation ceremony.

D. For Information: Board/Staff Discussions

- 1.) Jean Hatch: Charter SELPA information and comparison: Jean Hatch shared a brief history of the Shasta County SELPA, its governance structure, and some of the problematic situations we have been dealing with through the Shasta County Office of Education. She also discussed the "perception of the possibility of a comingling of funds" with the SELPA and the County Office. Mrs. Hatch also discussed the "transparency" that El Dorado County Charter School SELPA had created. This transparency is beneficial to our Charter School Consortium.
- 2.) Conde Kunzman: Represented Shasta County SELPA: Ms. Kunzman discussed the problematic situation with the wrong Local Plan being submitted to the State. She also discussed the fact that this would be rectified as soon as possible.
- 3.) Christie Morris
  - a.) Team leaders at work (Peggy Bullwinkel, Barbara Mehr, Robin Thorne, and Christie Morris)
    - (1.) DIBELS: Training was completed on 1/31 and 2/1/11. Teachers are now trained and prepared to assess K-6 students in early literacy skills.
    - (2.) APL writing program: APL team leaders worked with teacher groups to develop "Response to Literature" instructional packets for grades 2-12.
    - (3.) Math: We are in the process of developing paper/pencil benchmark assessments for math, which will determine student mastery of the standards as well as cut-off scores for intervention.
    - (4.) Curriculum for interventions: A list of curriculum materials/programs that have proven to be effective for addressing reading, writing, and math weaknesses are being developed and ordered for the library, so teachers always have access to a menu of recommended materials.
    - (5.) STAR incentives: An Incentives Committee is working on ideas to motivate students to do well on STAR testing, as well as collecting donations for prizes that all students who complete STAR testing and/or improve their performance will have a chance to win.
  - b.) School-wide Writing Plan: A two-year timeline has been developed to provide a logical progression of writing instruction and assessment, while covering the California Content Standards and preparing students for state writing assessments and the CAHSEE.

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 01/12/2011**
2. **Warrant Register**
3. **Employee Resignation: Tara Steele (paraprofessional)**

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion by:** Christine Davies      **Seconded by:** Sharyi Hanson      **Vote:** 5/0

**IV. INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1. INFORMATION/ACTION:** Discussion & Consideration of Time Change For Monthly Board Meetings

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

**Item tabled for more discussion and a possible change for the next school year**

- 2. INFORMATION/ACTION:** First Reading: Student Discipline Policy

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

- 3. INFORMATION/ACTION:** Jean Hatch El Dorado SELPA Conde' Kunzman Shasta County SELPA  
No Action Taken: Presentation was Information only

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

- 4. INFORMATION/ACTION:** Second Reading: Volunteer Protocol Policy

**Approved With word change/correction: 2/16/2011**

**Motion by:** Christine Davies      **Seconded by:** Molly Oliver      **Vote:** 5/0

- 5. INFORMATION/ACTION:** Second Reading: Complaint Protocol Policy

**Approved: 2/16/2011**

**Motion by:** Christine Davies      **Seconded by:** Molly Oliver      **Vote:** 5/0

- 6. INFORMATION/ACTION:** Third Reading: Medications/Contagious Illness Policy

**Approved: 2/16/2011**

**Motion by:** Christine Davies      **Seconded by:** Molly Oliver      **Vote:** 5/0

- 7. INFORMATION/ACTION :** Third Reading: Admission And Enrollment Policy

Discussion followed regarding the edits as highlighted and other changes. Modifications/changes will be completed and policy will be placed back on the March Agenda for 4<sup>th</sup> reading and/or approval.

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

- 8. INFORMATION/ACTION:** Third Reading: Graduation Requirements Policy w/ Course Matrix Addendum

**Approved: 2/16/2011**

**Motion by:** Ole Olson      **Seconded by:** Sharyi Hanson      **Vote:** 5/0

**V. CLOSED SESSION**

Adjourn to Closed Session to consider and/or take action upon any of the following items:

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: three potential cases

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE

VI. **PUBLIC SESSION – REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: The meeting was reconvened to open session at 7:46 PM.

**PUBLIC REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION; includes the vote of abstention of every member**

The Board President reported that no action was taken in closed session.

VIII. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Board will consider items for future Board Meeting Agendas:

- 1.) Vote on Advisory Council members

IX. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM.