

**Minutes**  
**ACADEMY OF PERSONALIZED LEARNING**  
**GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**  
**2195 Larkspur Lane Suite 100, Redding CA 96002**  
**November 21, 2013**  
**5:15 pm**  
**Regular Meeting**

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**I. PRELIMINARY**

- A. CALL TO ORDER: 5:20 pm**
- B. ROLL CALL:**  
Greg Beale \_\_X\_\_      Rebecca Hoerber \_\_X\_\_      John Del Rio \_\_X\_\_      Mary Ewart \_\_X\_\_  
Cheryl Calhoun \_\_X\_\_      Crickett Miller \_\_X\_\_      Patricia Dougherty \_\_X\_\_
- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**  
Motion by: Cheryl Calhoun      Seconded by: John Del Rio      Vote: 3/0

**II. COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None**
- B. INFORMATION: Director's Report**
- SCOE has decided they will not release funding which they have had since October until December 5<sup>th</sup>. The funds should have been released before the 30<sup>th</sup> of November.
  - Our two student teachers from Simpson University are finishing up their student teaching semester. Mr. Song may be hired to teach upper level math classes.
  - Dr. Dougherty introduced Dr. Christine Mayerchak, our new school psychologist. Dr. Mayerchak is getting oriented to our program and next semester she will facilitate small social groups and a transition program.
  - Our check-in scan system has not been working well. In retrospect, perhaps the thumb method of check-in would have been less problematical than identification cards.
  - Sherina Weide, our registrar, has been offsite recuperating from surgery. During her absence we have made some changes in enrollment protocol.
  - Dr. Dougherty has been utilizing "Go to Meeting" to remotely attend El Dorado County Charter SELPA meetings, which has been very beneficial for our school.
  - The December Board meeting will include financial updates and the interim budget.
  - Erik Premak is looking over our Charter as we prepare for renewal. Dr. Dougherty included in the Board packets an article from the Charter Schools Development Center that discussed charter school accountability and renewal.
  - Staff has been working diligently to collect charter petition parent signatures, letters of support, survey responses, and community member signatures and letters.
  - Our newly hired security guard is doing a good job. He is diligent, and students and families feel comfortable with him. We have recently had an issue with a previous student who came on campus, which was a violation of a restraining order against him. Dr. Dougherty discussed as a precautionary measure the need to increase the security guard's hours during the three weeks of school before Winter Break, perhaps having him work eight hours daily, from 8 am to 5 pm,

on Tuesdays and Thursdays (high school days). He also works five hours daily, from 8 am to 1 pm, on Wednesdays and Fridays (elementary days). The Board members concurred with this plan in an effort to protect students and the school.

- In the recent realignment of office staff duties, Dr. Dougherty relieved Darla of tasks that kept her from attending to her duties.
- The carpet will be cleaned on Dec. 20 when no students will be on-site.
- Our enrollment currently stands at 503, with several students on the waiting list. Several teachers can still take more students.

C. INFORMATION: Advisory Council Report: Crickett Miller

Crickett Miller reported the events of the November Advisory Council meeting. She also noted that she would be unable to attend the December Board Meeting. No Advisory Council Report will be given.

D. For Information: Board/Staff Discussions:

Greg Beale said that the State is in decent financial shape in terms of school funding. Cheryl Calhoun asked if we will build our financial reserve, as it is not at a healthy level. Dr. Dougherty said that is our intention, to go into the next five years with reserves built up.

**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 10/17/2013**
2. **Warrant Register**

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion by: John Del Rio      Seconded by: Rebecca Hoerber      Vote: 4/0**

**IV. INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** Approve Date Change for December Board Meeting; Change to December 4, 2013

**Motion by: Cheryl Calhoun      Seconded by: John Del Rio      Vote: 4/0**

2. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** School-wide Security Update  
(Discussed earlier at this meeting)

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

4. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** Charter Renewal Update

Dr. Dougherty asked if any Board members know people in the community who might write a letter of recommendation for APL. Greg Beale referenced an article in the Board packet that would seem to indicate we have met all criteria for renewal. Dr. Dougherty said we need to be well prepared as there is a strong anti-charter sentiment among some people in the community.

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

5. **INFORMATION/ACTION:** David Ewart: Update on STEM Academy Activities

Today, APL students participated in a live webcast with the Applied Physics Laboratory of John Hopkins University about charting water ice on the moon. In January, some of the students who went to the Jet Propulsion Laboratory will come to the Board meeting to do a presentation.

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

V. **CLOSED SESSION**

No Closed Session Items!

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

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: The meeting was reconvened to open session at \_\_\_N/A\_\_\_\_\_.

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

The Board President will report out any action taken in closed session, if any.

VIII. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Board will consider items for future Board Meeting Agendas.

No items presented.

IX. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at \_\_\_6:10 pm\_\_\_\_\_.