

# Fronteras Spanish Immersion Charter School

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## APC Governing Board Meeting Minutes November 13, 2018



**I. Call to Order** Meeting called to order at 6:05pm.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance** *La Promesa de Lealtad a la Bandera*

*Juro lealtad A la bandera de los Estados Unidos de America y a la república que representa una nación bajo Dios indivisible con libertad y justicia para todos.*

**III. Persons to be Heard**

Tammy Heimerl made a comment about trip to Cordova for middle school basketball players. She thanked the board for our support.

**IV. Good Things**

**V. Business Session (Consent Agenda)**

A. Approval of meeting minutes

Misty motions to approve meeting minutes from September 11, Heather seconds the motion, all in favor minutes approved.

B. Principal Report (See report below)

The Spanish Heritage was very successful and Jennifer adds a glow of “loved the dances”. Fronteras was one of ten schools chosen as part of the site accreditation tour. The accreditation serves as a basis for eligibility for federal programs and also assurance that we have been evaluated. The evaluation team was composed of 12 people and the schools were chosen based on parent survey from last year. Regarding our Christmas music concert it will be at Wasilla Bible Church to accommodate all our students and families. Each class will choose 2-3 songs, and Mary Wargo will accompany on piano. Tuesday morning staff meetings now have parent volunteers for open gym. Jen and Jill observed the volunteers and are working with them to support activities/behavior.

Senor Desjarles has resigned for personal reasons and we are asking everyone to respect his privacy at this time.

C. Executive Committee Updates

**Chair** - We received 25 copies of books for Seeds and Trees Kickstarter. Heather has continued to email the contact for the program to schedule a future visit from the author as promised. Regarding Spanish Tutoring, Mr. McBride is interested in teaching a parent class again this year and would like to start soon. Heather did not get a response from UAA language department regarding interest in teaching a Spanish class at Fronteras.

D. Committee Updates

**Treasurer Report**

Student Ambassadors, Addie Charton and Bronte Beck, will be getting \$300 checks each. We will present as oversized check to each of them at the assembly. Also will present a check to Children's place from our Believe Kids profits.

E. APC Board Action Calendar Update

Volunteer recognition. Planning to reach out to teachers and ask them to submit for each class/grade suggestions of parents who have volunteered in the classrooms for recognition.

Student Honor Roll. Office staff can help identify students and print out certificates. Recognize 4-8 grade students and will post a list in the front lobby including categories for 4.0, 3.5-3.99, 3.0-3.49. Would like to give out certificates each quarter for students on the honor roll at assembly.

Committee Updates. Remove Amber Rinella and Beckie from the Curriculum Committee. Remove Chris, Beckie, and Gretchen from the Facilities Committee. Remove Amber Rinella from the Hiring Committee.

**VI. Generative Discussion**

a. Student Ambassador Update

Our two new ambassadors visited all the classrooms and introduced themselves to each class. Jennifer H would like each board member to

share with her what we as board members think about what it means to be a student ambassador. She did a grows and glows with the middle school students about the new program. The ambassadors plan on a monthly lunch meeting to share with a classroom. They also requested a mailbox where students can write comments and submit to ambassadors.

Students are tasked with what they think about Spanish Immersion and why is it important. They will have a recognition at Q2 assembly.

Discussed the students speaking at a school board meeting, can have a 3 minute public speaking time they are signed up beforehand. Given handout of budget includes jackets and video produced by Mr Dave Davis.

## **VII. Executive Session**

No executive session

## **VIII. Final Actions and Adjournment**

Heather motions to adjourn meeting at 7:10pm, Misty seconds, all in favor meeting adjourned. Next APC Board meeting scheduled for January 8, 2019

## **APC Governing Board Members**

Heather Charton, Chair  
Philippe Onfray, Vice Chair  
Misty Adams, Treasurer  
Jody Soeder, Secretary  
Solveig Eidsness  
Jen Manion  
Lynda Denny  
Jennifer Hutchins (ex-officio), Principal

Principal Report  
November, 2018

1. Enrollment – 310
2. Spanish Heritage Celebration – Super successful!

Grows:

- Coordinate class seating in gym w/ recess – give more time to get ready
- Music throughout the building prior to gym presentations
- Classes sit & wait to perform vs. get up in line & wait during performances
- Split the month w/ flags, then class presentations @ end of month
- Parade of flags in gym after JROTC prior to the start
- Better staff supervision of students (youngers) – staff sit among students
- Allow for differing country facts
- Spread potlucks out more – cold storage is limited
- Choose country at end of yr. – ready to get started in August/September

Glows:

- Presentations!
- Costumes!
- The STUDENTS!
- Flag bearers!
- Emcees! Sophia & Kilian
- School pride!
- Staff teamwork!
- Guest dancers!
- Staff dance!
- Patience w/ one another!
- Alaska Flag Song!
- JROTC!

3. Student Ambassadors Bronte' Beck & Addie Charton! Thank you to Sr. Pantoja, Darjon Gimm, Jillian Morrissey, & entire Ambassador committee!

- Bronte' & Addie presented in all K-5 classrooms last Thursday. Introduced selves, shared about the responsibilities of the school Ambassadors, etc.
- Mailbox for students statements/comments
- Name tags
- Monthly lunch meetings with students

4. Accreditation Site Tour – November 6<sup>th</sup> – classroom observations, student, staff, and administrator interviews.

Highlights shared:

- 10 schools visited & administrators interviewed
- 84 students interviewed
- 32 staff interviewed
- 62 classrooms visited

Glows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> large school district in AK to be accredited
- Conditions for learning are exceptional
- Out of 62 classrooms, not 1 misbehavior

- Gave rating of Exemplary to the school district

Grows:

- Staff unaware of School Board goals
- Need systems of evaluation for district programs; 1:1 @ small schools, PBIS/ Foundations

\*Accreditation occurs every 5 yrs.\*

5. Upcoming Events:

- 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Adjetivo challenge @ 8:30am in gym
- November 22 & 23 - Thanksgiving Break
- Alaskan Nutcracker @ Glenn Massay Theater – December 6<sup>th</sup> 10am-1pm
- K-8 Christmas Concert w/ dance demo. – December 14<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm
- 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade Archery @ Shaw Elem. Time TBA
- Quarter 2 ends & Pajama Day! – December 20<sup>th</sup>
- Teacher Workday – December 21<sup>st</sup>
- Christmas Break – December 22<sup>nd</sup> thru January 6<sup>th</sup> (including weekends 😊)



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Treasurer report

November 12, 2018 at 6:10 PM

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Good evening fellow board members,

Here's the treasurers report for you to look over before tomorrow nights meeting.

Current balances: Checking- \$19,956.04 Savings- \$25.18

\$14.64 was deposited from our Amazon smile.

I will be writing out two \$300.00 checks for our two Student Ambassadors, Addie Charton and Bronte Beck! Congrats to them! Sent from my iPhone