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APC Board Meeting
Location: Joe D's Portable
October 8th, 2013 - 6:00 P.M.

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order @ 6:05 by Chris

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call/Determine Quorum Number required for a quorum: 5

III. Approval of the agenda for today's meeting

Gwen moved to approve agenda, Erik 2nd

IV. Review meeting protocol

V. Persons to be Heard – 30 minutes maximum

Persons to be Heard:

- Middle school Puerto Rico/Camping Trip Presentation
- Dory Schneider, Lilly Shaw, Kylie Lund – recap of spring 2014 PR trip and fall 2014 South Rolley Lake camping trip
- Ana Hartman – reporting on possible partnering with Rotary Club re: language camps; Mango (Spanish learning – free) @ library ... only need an email address to sign up; list of Spanish greetings, courtesies, commands used in classrooms – also posted in newsletter
- Sandra Garrison-Page – see need for bi-lingual person on APC Board; appreciates steps we are making toward better immersion program (Ms. Schmidt greeting in Spanish, Spanish commands, videos to evaluate kids, etc.)
- Yeimy Francisco – thank you to Ms. Schmidt for learning Spanish, happy with amount of Spanish in school
- Jen Renee – complimenting Veronica Wolf re: clubs, looking forward to hearing early release info, thankful for having command page, please only play movies in Spanish at lunch

VI. Standing Agenda

- A. Approval of meeting minutes from September, 2013 – **Sonya C moved to approve, Gwen 2nd - unanimous**
- B. Chair Report *5-10 minutes – gave time to Ms. Schmidt*
- C. Principal's Report *15 – 30 minutes*

Nov 11 – District-wide PD day – (purchasing walkie-talkies so monitors and bldgs. can communicate without phones) – doing full 6-hour emergency and survival training (safety, communication, etc.)

Current enrollment – 235

Lynda Denny & Daisy Lofland – new monitors, Ron Hartman is new custodian

11 staff members went to AFLA (Alaskans for Foreign Language Acquisition) – came back and taught mini lesson to staff Really encouraged to talk to kids in Spanish and have them speak to e/o – work on conversational skills

Taner – taking 8-9 week absence for personal needs. Long-term sub coming in – native Spanish speaker.

Quarter 1 ends this Friday, awards assembly @ 8:30 – wear pink!

Conference days coming – coordinated by family when scheduling

Fire Safety – 18th of October, rotating classes thru

Hollywood stunt, explosive, and special effects person - Steve Wolf (science in the movies), for students October 17th

Lynda Denny – fund raiser from Chad Carpenter “Tundra Comics” ... possibly early November

- D. Treasurer's Report - *5 minutes*
- E. Committee/Team Requests- *Written reports should be submitted to the Secretary 1 week prior to Board meeting for all Committees so that they can be reviewed by APC prior to meeting*
Please keep oral reports as brief as possible

VII. Unfinished Business- Action Items

- A. Helena Curtain – update from Gwen re: immersion meetings in January

January 23, 24, 27 - \$1500/day (if difficult, have a conversation with her) – does not incl transportation or accommodations

SAMS academy in May – district would love to bring Helena up (teachers can get credit)

Amber moved to allocate up to \$6500 of APC budget for fees, travel (airfare and car rental) and accommodations for Helena Curtain to provide immersion training on January 23, 24, 27. Raeanne 2nd – unanimous

Jill Stevie reserving WHS theatre for parent information meeting with Helena.

Gwen will schedule Helena for January dates.

B. Early Release

Ms. Schmidt and Chris W-E submitted letter to Commissioner to request approval of early release days/calendar.

Gwen moves to extend mtg to 8:30, Raeanne 2nd – unanimous

C. APC Board Curriculum Grant Draft – reviewed and discussed particulars of amounts, time frames, and goals Erik will revise and email draft to Board.

VIII. New Business

A. Pick up time – clarified by Ms. Schmidt

Had issues with classes not getting out at same time

Grievance filed re: lack of time without kids at end of day

Bus has to leave at 2:45

Not all kids getting picked up on time Kids here past 3:00

Led to confusion on pick up time

Tabled due to time:

B. Volunteering and tracking hours

C. Amigos – clarifying responsibilities

D. Pledge of Allegiance/Announcements

Adjourned 8:30

IX. Executive Session

Matters generally include those affecting finances and personnel, the public knowledge of which might prove adverse or prejudicial.

X. Future Items/Future Business

Next regular board meeting: November 12th, 6pm

XI. Final Actions and Adjournment

APC Governing Board Members

Attending members:

Amber Rinella
Chris Whittington-Evans, Chair
Erik Hierschmann
Gwen Schneider
Jennifer Schmidt, Principal
Jill Bang
Jill Stevie
Mandy Lund, Secretary
Nina Shaw, Vice Chair
Raeanne Stephens, Treasurer
Sonya Cook