

Fronteras Spanish Immersion Charter School

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APC Board Meeting

Location: Middle School Portable

September 10th, 2013 - 6:00 P.M. Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order – Chris W-E called the meeting to order at 6:08pm

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call/Determine Quorum Number required for a quorum: 10

III. Approval of the agenda for today's meeting

Nina moved to approve meeting agenda, 2nd by Raeanne - unanimous

IV. Review meeting protocol

V. Persons to be Heard – *30 minutes maximum*

Jen Renee – thank you for a great start to the school year!

VI. Standing Agenda

A. Approval of meeting minutes from August - unanimous

B. Acting Chair Report *5-10 minutes*

C. Principal's Report - *15 – 30 minutes*

- Running on projection of 241 students ... “real” number right now is 237 – count day is in October
- Can we notify families re: count day/week via email and include on Fronteras instructional calendar?
- Middle school kids assigned to classrooms K-3 to help wrap up the day and get them home (@ 2:15) – teachers are loving this!
- Middle school offering Algebra I and Spanish I via APEX
- Teachers doing a great job of keeping Spanish time as Spanish – kids are being challenged
- Hired 2 monitors (Meghan Ash and Jodi Rogness) of the 5 needed
- Great job Middle School on camping adventure!
- Early Release
 - should be 4 contact hours on those days ... right now we are at 3.5

- Jennifer brainstormed with staff about best solution
- Katie, Director of Human Resources, here to answer questions (comes down to days – 5 hours - of instruction vs. hours of instruction)
- Katie is guessing that our early release schedule in previous years was entered incorrectly (early release days were not defined correctly as far as contact hours go)
- School year = 180 days (10 allowed with no students)
- Our “normal” day is 5.5 student/teacher contact hours
- Agreements need to be approved by bargaining unit, teacher association, school district
- Discussion on history of early release And brainstorming options for solutions
- Early release originally designed for teacher collaboration
- Option to pursue waiver with commissioner of education

Upcoming events

- School pictures (K/1 - 9/24 and 2-8 - 9/26)
- Advertising on 100.9 radio
- Jake Ballentine presenting anti-bullying assembly on September 17th
- Fire assemblies are being scheduled
- October 11 – 1st assembly
- Parent/Teacher conference days on October 24-25
- Mr. Neilson/Mr. Burns receiving certification to run Alaska Scholastic Clay Target Program (ASCTP) with shotguns at our school (will be competing with other schools)

D. Treasurer’s Report - *5minutes*

one deposit (currently states charge) of \$5.92 from the e-script program

Finance committee met – requested paint for classroom, reimbursement for paint/plants for classroom, request to purchase kayaks/trailer for annual middle school camping trip

Nina moved to approve teacher requests of up to \$150 per classroom (based on receipt) to pay for paint and plants. Unanimous

E. Committee/Team

VII. Unfinished Business - Action Items

VIII. New Business

A. Board Officers

B. Board Nominations

C. Time permitting, non-agenda items

Amber moved to transfer \$211 from 4/5 fundraiser (from line item in our APC budget) and remainder from field trip line item to reimburse Mandy Lund for food expenses from middle school camping trip according to receipts (total just under \$300).

Sonya 2nd. Unanimous

Gwen moved to extend meeting to 8:30 – Unanimous

Helena Curtain – spoke on immersion a few years ago. Gwen contacted her. Jill S. and Gwen continuing research on bringing Helena up and collaborating with other schools.

Gwen moved that staff appreciation gifts be purchased of coffee cards and either Poppa Murphys or Subway (\$10 each) for a total of \$520 expenditure through the APC general budget. Unanimous

Nina and Mandy will complete and distribute next week.

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: October 8th, 6pm

XI. Final Actions and Adjournment APC Governing Board Members

Jill Bang

Erik Hierschmann

Gwen Schneider

Nina Shaw, Vice Chair

Jill Stevie

Raeanne Stephens, Treasurer

Chris Whittington-Evans, Chair

Mandy Lund, Secretary

Amber Rinella

Sonya Cook

Jennifer Schmidt, Principal