

ACSA APC Meeting Minutes for 9/21/17

Present at meeting: Kacey Miller, Charles Marble, Brenda Menadelook, Lisa Leeper, Betsy Brennan.

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm.

Kacey Miller made a motion made to approve minutes from 8/16/17 meeting. Betsy Brennan second. Approved unanimously.

The 8th grade waiting pool and enrollment of ACSA was discussed.

The Charter School renewal process was reviewed. The ACSA Contract with NPS was approved at the 9/12/17 School Board meeting. The application to the Alaska State EED is up for approval at the 10/10/17 NPS Board meeting. Lisa asked for a volunteer to call EED in Juneau to go over procedure to ensure our timeline is appropriate to be approved by the State of Alaska in the proper manner. Betsy volunteered. Once the application is approved by NPS, the application will be mailed and emailed as directions dictate.

Lisa Leeper outlined the new work teachers did on the ACSA curriculum and spoke to the hope that this would be a process staff could undertake again in the spring. Board members expressed support for 4-5 days of curriculum work after classes end next May. Lisa will bring the topic up with staff to see if they can coordinate schedules for the end of the year.

Lisa presented the PEAKS Assessment test results for ACSA.

APC membership was discussed. It appears 2 seats will be up for election. Lisa will send out an email asking for any parents of current ACSA students are interested in serving for a term. We hope to have new members begin in November.

The Charter school academy will be held in Anchorage on October 12 &14. Members encouraged Lisa to attend and Lisa expressed her interest in going. There is funding in the budget to send Lisa.

Lisa mentioned the many extra proposals and opportunities outside entities have been presented to staff for students to attend or participate in. Although these events look wonderful, sometimes choices have to be made to say no. Class time on projects and core studies is important. Every week of the current school year has seen interruptions and this can cause chaos.

Principal Comments:

1. Student handbook. Lisa asked for a volunteer to assist with this project. Kacey expressed her interest in helping.
2. APC Thank you dinner: New date is set for October 7, 7 pm.
3. The possibility of Brianna travelling on the 8th grade trip to DC was discussed.

Next meeting will be October 19 at 5:30.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.