

Fireweed Academy
Academic Policy Committee Minutes
April 4, 2022 WHE Library and via ZOOM

Present: Bob Shavelson, Anna Raupp, Alex Koplin, Nick Poolos, Shanno Riley, Mo Wilkinson

Absent: Emilie Springer

Staff & Guests: Todd Hindman, Principal, Sharlyn Young, Secretary, Nate Crabtree, Erik Peterson, Lauren Isenhour, Laura Karstens

Public Comments: None

Approval of Agenda: Nick moved to approve the 04.04.22 agenda. Mo Seconded. Motion passes with unanimous approval. Move Leadership to 1st item, 5 minutes for Principal Evaluation.

Approval of Minutes: Anna moved to approve the March 21,2022 minutes. Mo seconded. Motion passes with unanimous approval.

Old Business:

Motion:

Admin Report: Admin Report 04/04/2022

FY22 Enrollment:

FY22 Projected Enrollment: 112 Current Enrollment: 104

K (12), 1st (17), 2nd (17), 3rd (15), 4th (12), 5th (18), 6th (13)

K-6 (104), K-2 (46), 3-6 (58)

Title 1 2022-2023: The staff and I have been working on a needs assessment to expand our focus of Title 1 services from K-2 to K-4. Our estimated funding for FY23 will provide a half-time interventionist with focus on early literacy. Over the past five years, I have communicated the importance of families to complete the Free and Reduced lunch application whether their child eats a hot lunch at school. The percentage of families that qualify for free and reduced lunches provides the school with Title 1 funds.

Title 1 Parent Resource Center: The Title 1 Spring Meeting will highlight our new parent resource center in the big yurt. We will hold the meeting on Monday, April 11th at the end of the school day.

KPBSD School Board Presentation: I will be providing a presentation about Fireweed Academy to the KPBSD School Board on Monday, April 11th.

Artist in Schools: Sharlene Cline was our Artist in Residence last week at BFW. The students created an art journal which incorporated colors, images, patterns, textures, and other materials. The students explored different acrylic techniques, and touched on how to use these techniques to voice personal ideas, memories and thoughts.

Spring Field Trips: I urge parents to check their e-mail messages carefully and often over the next two months. We are planning many field trips for students at Fireweed Academy and will be communicating the dates, locations and supplies needed through e-mail, the newsletter, and on the school website.

Enrollment Period: April 1st marks the beginning of our enrollment period for 2022-2023. Advertisements have been submitted for KBBI and the Homer News. The enrollment period ends on April 29th.

AK STAR: The Alaska System of Academic Readiness assessment for Grade 3 - 6 will be given the week of April 11th. Parents have been requested to avoid medical appointments for students before Noon that week.

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**Student Fundraising/Co-Curricular Report:
Co-Curricular**

During 3rd quarter, Jon's STEAM club worked hard on honing their math skills with extra time for ALEKS and math homework help. There were about 12 students who participated. For 4th quarter the 3D pens and printer were brought out and the exploration of these has been going quite well. There are 17 participants for 3D printing.

Student Fundraising

Reimbursements, for missing fruit from our previous fundraiser, to those families who asked for them were finished up at the end of February. This reimbursement total was \$260.00. Our students have not yet done any fundraising since the 2nd quarter.

END REPORT

APC Next Year's Priorities: Moved to next meeting

Principal Evaluation: Moved to next meeting

Leadership Transition: Introduction of documents presented, floor opened up for discussion. Front end community input meeting on Monday April 14th at 6 pm at Little Fireweed in Mo's classroom /survey sent out and open on the 11th closing on the 15th.

Annual Meeting/Elections: Meeting is May 2nd @ 5 (soft start) 5:30 pm start in LFW Yurt. 5 seats open on the APC.

Adjourn: Shannon moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:33 pm.
Minutes submitted by Sharlyn Young