

Fireweed Academy
Academic Policy Committee Minutes
September 1, 2022

Meeting Called to Order: 3:30 PM

Present: Bob Shavelson, Anna Raupp, Emilie Springer, Mo Wilkinson, Nick Poolos, Shannon Riley

Absent: Alex Koplín

Staff & Guests: Kyle Darbonne, Principal, Sharlyn Young, Secretary, Gretta Mahowald, Alison Gaylord, Rachael Kincaid, Erin Pollock, Sarah Allan, Amanda Campbell, Becky King, Krys Evensen, Carly Garay, Mitchell Rineveld, Gabrielle Weiss.

Public Comments: Rachael Kincaid spoke about the Fireweed/WHE combined lunch/recess times (reversion back to normal). Kyle Darbonne spoke to this.

Approval of Agenda: Nick moved to approve the agenda with the additions. Mo seconded. Motion carried.

Seating Rachael Kincaid:

Motion: Shannon moved to seat Rachael in the open seat. Anna seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rachael Kincaid the new student rep.

Changing Terms:

Motion: Mo moved to change the 10-22 terms to Fall 10-23 and 10-23 terms to Fall 10-24 . Nick seconded. Motion Carried.

Approval of Minutes: no minutes to approve.

Admin Report: Admin Report 09/1/2022

FY23 Enrollment:

FY23 Projected Enrollment: 96 Current Enrollment: 106

K (15), 1st (14), 2nd (17), 3rd (16), 4th (14), 5th (13), 6th (17)

K-6 (106), K-2 (46), 3-6 (60)

- New student additions this week (not included in above numbers):

- o K + 1
- o 1st + 2
- o 2nd + 1
- o 3rd + 1

- With continued enrollment trends, it is my hope that we can hire an additional teacher for FY24.

New Staff:

- Little Fireweed: Mari Turtainen
- Big Fireweed: Carly Garay, Elizabeth Maver, Krystal Evensen
- Whole Campus: Jennifer Medley, Kyle Darbonne

School Development Plans: KPBSD is once again requiring each school to develop school development plans. Fireweed's goals and focus will be geared around our Title 1 Plan goals as well as school climate improvements.

Title 1: Fireweed Academy has qualified to be a Title 1 school again this year. This has allowed us to hire our .5 FTE Intervention Teacher.

Budget Update: The yearly district audit started later than normal this year and has taken longer to complete. We still do not have an updated budget or full access to school funds.

APU Partnership Update: Meeting is scheduled with Elaine to further discuss partnership between our two schools and potential for student teaching opportunities.

LFW Open House / Title 1 Meeting: Scheduled for Wednesday, September 14th from 5 to 6 PM

BFW Open House / Harvest Festival: Scheduled for Thursday, September 22nd time TBD

School Website: Updates to staff page/bios/photos

Cross Country: West Homer has opened up their cross country team to Fireweed students. If you would like your student to be involved, please let me know and I can get you the form.

Anchor River Outing: We are planning our annual trip to the Anchor River. Current plan is to do a day trip with LFW joining for lunch. Returning the overnight camping component is a goal for next school year. Tentative Date: September 23rd

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Fundraising: None planned at this time. Would like to bring back the committee.

Motion:

Screen Policy/Philosophy: Would like to create a committee/task force to create policy around this.

Motion:

One Campus: Bob spoke about what this is and previous steps taken. Sending an email out to families to see about starting a committee to get this going again.

Motion:

School Security: Went over how this looks, and what we are doing. All external doors are to remain locked.

Motion:

Meeting Dates: Proposing meeting on the 1st Thursday of every month at 3:30 pm. Post dates on FWA Website.

Motion:

Financial Update: None

Motion:

Secretary Reclassification Info/Update: Sharlyn gave an account about what is going on with the standalone secretaries.

Motion:

Closing Comments:

Motion to Adjourn: **Mo** moved to adjourn, Shannon seconded. Motion passed.

Adjournment at 5:06