

**Fireweed Academy
Academic Policy Committee
(12/6/2024) Meeting Minutes**

WE BELIEVE...

- Students learn best through hands-on experiences & reflecting on those experiences.
- Music, arts & creative self-expression nurture strong learners and responsible citizens.
- In nurturing a compassionate learning community.
- The natural & cultural community of Kachemak Bay is fertile ground for learning.
- In building skills for engaged & responsible citizenship.
- Mindful use of technology is critical for 21st-century learners.
- Engaged families make a better school and a better future for our kids.

Attendance:

Rachael Kincaid, Chair (Comm. Rep. 05-25) - <i>present</i>	Bob Shavelson (Comm. Rep. 05-25) - <i>present</i>
Tessa Sullivan, Vice Chair (Parent Rep. 05-25) - <i>present</i>	Rebecca King (Staff Rep. 05-25) - <i>present</i>
Brianna Lee, Secretary (Parent Rep. 05-26) - <i>present</i>	Elizabeth Maver (Staff Rep. 05-25) - <i>present</i>
Irene Saxton, Treasurer (Student Rep. 05-25) - <i>present</i>	Ash-lee Waddell (05-26) - <i>present</i>
Cheryl Tolman (05-26) - <i>present</i>	

CALL TO ORDER: 3:36 pm

Staff & Guests: Kyle Darbonne

Public Comments: none

Approval of Agenda: Approved by Irene, seconded by Tessa

Approval of Minutes: Approved by Irene, seconded by Tessa

OLD BUSINESS:

Strategic Plan: Rachael spoke on progress. It is in good shape, and APC hopes to approve it in January. **Action Item:** Rachael will resend documents for final review and approval at the next APC meeting in January. Bob and Ash-lee spoke on the policy manual draft.

PTO Report: Tessa spoke on Harvest Festival's ups and downs; PTO has not met since November.

Technology Policy: Document in the packet, Cheryl offered a few edits, and Irene motioned to approve the Technology Policy with additional edits, seconded by Elizabeth, all Ayes, and the Technology Policy was adopted by the APC.

NEW BUSINESS:

Admin Report: in the packet, Kyle spoke on the report and shared about the finances going into improving insulation in the Big Yurt. He wants to start hosting listening sessions with parents,

hoping to get 2 or 3 on the calendar for this school year.

Financial Report: No report, Irene spoke and met with Sharlyn to learn about what the APC secretary should be reporting on. **Action Item:** Irene is going to do more research and help create an outline of the roles and responsibilities of the APC secretary.

Coffee with the APC: added to January agenda, discussion about turnout, goals, etc. Do we want to continue or pause this offering?

Executive Session at 4:45 pm

Moved out of Executive Session 5:08

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Submitted by: Brianna Lee