APC Meeting 4/30/2026

APC Members: Irene Saxton, Anna Raupp, Kay Sturm, Becky King, Mo Wilkinson, Mo Wilkinson, Hayley Walters
Absent: Maddie Lightsey, Haley Balog, Jane Beck
Staff/Guests: Kyle Darbonne, Laura Littrell, Joscie Norris, Angela, Travis Brown, Jeanne Anderson, Kate Hartill, Savannah Palladino, Kara Bakken Clemens, Greta Mahowald, Brianna Allen, Ash-Lee Waddell, Jesse Godbold, Laura, Lizzy Young

3:37 pm Call to order

Public Comments: None

Consent Agenda: Agenda, Last Meeting's Minutes, Admin Report.Anna wanted to add some Charter Renewal to the Agenda/combined with Admin report. Set meeting date for summer. Becky was questioning if 5 minutes was enough for the financial report- will be added to the PLP. Discussed to move forward in the agenda and add time to the agenda item. Motion to approve the consent by Becky, seconded by Mo.

Old Business:

a. Charter Renewal/Annual Review form: Each year there is a form for Clayton Holland that is needed to be completed by Kyle- has completed the draft which will be looked at by the Chair. Asking if there were any major issues and if they were resolved, amount of meetings held (minimum 4), priorities over the year. Kyle will send out the form after the meeting- Anna will sign and it will be sent to the district.
b. Stakeholder Meeting: Kay and Irene facilitated a meeting on April 15th with some individuals in the fireweed community to gather information for the charter renewal. Question for tonight- how to utilize this information? Longer goal setting can come from this information. Would like to solidify a time for us to meet with students to get their voice on these subjects as well. What does sharing this information outside this meeting look like? Some concern from Becky that with limited information, it could be seen that there continue to be gaps rather that a problem that was solved. Kay again reminded everyone that having a strategic plan would be helpful as it would steer the ship when information like this comes along. This could be added to the summer meeting, with the survey results and the focus group. Brianna added an idea to share the direct quotes from parents that came from this meeting, as well as dive deeper with the parents with concerts to get more information. Student council for Big and connecting with little teachers for little feedback. Kyle also reminded the group that he has a feedback that can be utilized to follow up with parents. Megan reflected that having one campus and restricting split grades could help with a lot of the concerns.
c. PLP/Financial Plan/Excess Funds: Kyle explained the excess funds we have in our account that need to be spent by June 1st. Overview for this year and next year- feels comfortable putting into staffing, kids in intervention, which needs support this year by purchasing the items. Yurt is the biggest item, staff wants paid planning time over the summer. Ask from APC- Kyle will get us a budgetary overview by tomorrow, APC to have a vote by the 8th of May.

New Business:

a. Elections of Officers of FoFA: Mo is retiring this year- VP role open. Big push is fundraising and connection with fireweed community.
b. APC Transitions: Outgoing members- Mo Wilkinson, Jane Beck, Maddie Lightsey, Becky King, Hayley Walters. Staying on- Haley Balog, Anna Raupp and Irene Saxton will stay for the transition to stay long enough to take over positions, Kay Sturm til ‘27. New members interested- Savannah Paladino, Laura Littrell, Zach Kudla and new staff member will be Lizzy Young. Majority approval. Vote happened with the APC outside of current meeting and all were interested. Joscie Norris is at the meeting as well, and has interest in joining the APC as well. APC will follow up with Joscie later to give her time to think about joining. Officers will be chosen in the fall.
c. FoFA updates: Good year for FoFA. Best year for fundraising- $20K for Harvest Fest. FoFA Acct is $23,068.06. Some money will be spent this year for MayDay but most of the funds were spent already this year that will be. There was a donation by Duncan House to purchase meat for MayDay BBQ and a parent was able to get a discount from US Foods. Still working on community engagement- Fat Olives donated 3 pizzas and community members showed up to help with beautification project last weekend.
d. One Campus Update/School Board Updates: Borough land lease application completed- same as how SPARC got their land- a long lease for a small amount of money. To get the MOA to start raising funds, needs to get a survey done and get insurance. Wants to use some of the funds to complete the survey (FoFA would move forward with this as well as obtain insurance). Consolidation is not happening this year so BFW will stay at West for the next school year. There is a fallback to possibly move into PBE if the lease was not renewed but is not a long term solution.Insurance is $750, Survey is around $3250, timeline is ASAP. Farmer’s Market is also wanting to move, so their land could possibly be up for grabs as well. Many Rivers spot fell through.
e. MayDay Celebration: Saturday 1-4. Kim secured Jonny B from 1-2, SeaLegs Stilts as well. Frescos will be ready for performance at 2pm. Open spots on SignUp Genius but not worried as people usually help once they are there. Maygen has started the raffia crowns. Set up will be at 1pm.
f. Admin report/Charter Renewal update: .5 intervention (teacher) is posted and hoping to also get a full time aide. Also looking into turning the .5 into a full time teacher as well. Kay Sturm will be back doing project based learning professional development for the staff in the fall. Clayton Holland has asked the school board to approve non-tenured contracts as the borough mayor has stated he wants to fund to $62 million. Maygen, Haley and Lizzy are the ones waiting for contracts. Kyle will be across the bay for the 6th grade field trip and will also be at the Safe and Healthy Kids Fair if anyone wants to volunteer with him. Kyle reached out to Michael who runs the other radio stations in town to put the word out that we are enrolling for next fall. PLP- 1:1 meetings with staff have been happening- has met with the majority of the staff so far and is enjoying the time to learn more. Charter Renewal- close to renewing. Wants APC to have a committee to look over the renewal after the school year is finished but before Kyle’s contract ends. Enrollment procedure drafted by Sharlyn last year- Kyle went thru the document and modified it to what our process is, including moving the timeline up (before the regular town’s kindergarten round-ups) to take applications ahead of time to meet the family. Action item to

look at the renewal so we can approve and he can submit in August. Kay brought up that there needs to be more information on how to address when issues occur, such as lottery for enrollment, etc.

Next meeting to be: August 6th from 3:30-5 at LFW

Agenda items for next time: moving election year to later in the year, Anna will send follow up emails to new APC members.

Motion to adjourn at 5:01pm