

Regular Governing Council Meeting
Draft Meeting Minutes
Aldo Leopold Charter School
March 7th, 2018 5:30 pm
1422 Highway 180 East, Silver City

- I. Meeting convened at 5:32 pm by GC Chair Shauna McCosh
Roll call of GC Members: AJ Sandoval, David Peck, Mary Gruszka, Shauna McCosh, Christa Osborn
Members absent: Martin Maxwell
ALCS Staff: Kim Hopwood, Wayne Sherwood, Harry Browne
Others present: Daniel Gruszka, (student body president)
- II. Agenda Review-approved without changes
- III. Reading of the Mission and Vision-read by Daniel Gruszka
- IV. Review of February Meeting Minutes-approved w/ addition of Wayne Sherwood's name
- V. Public Comment-None
- VI. Student Council Report-Daniel did presentation on United World College conference to student body. Grade levels working on projects/presentations. Juniors planning prom. Seniors will be going to Durango instead of Moab. Senior fundraising-Valentine candy grams (\$70), bake sale (\$150). More work on fundraising needed for trip.
- VII. Staff Report-Wayne Sherwood-Seventy two middle school students going to City of Rocks. Behavioral expectation for students to spend night. SBA testing currently taking place. Cheryl wants to do some kind of incentive for PARCC test. Wants to award prizes for students who improve.
- VIII. Business Manager Report-Harry Browne-Review of check register report. Governor just today signed budget-vetoed school size adjustment language. Left in place changes to minimum salaries. Left in place raises-average 2.5% teachers, average 2% all other employees. Next month will have preliminary salary schedule and draft budget. Review of preliminary 2019 budget. Need to come up with additional revenue or cut costs by approximately \$112,000. Budget assumes move to WNMU, but may still pay 2 months at this building. No time line yet. Both Dave and AJ offer contacts who may be able to help w/ marketing to attract more students. Issue with late filing of W2-may be fines.
- IX. Committee Reports
 - a. SAC-met and reviewed preliminary parent survey results. 55 responses as of last week (survey closes next week). More info once all results are in.
 - b. SHAC-discussed lunch bunch survey. One suggestion-have an actual tray next year. Some kids feel like they aren't getting enough, but free seconds offered most days. Proposal for curriculum committee that one semester of PE be freshman/sophomore year, one junior/senior year (versus all in one year) and that there be at least one elective per semester w/ substantial outdoor/physical component.
 - c. Audit
 - d. Finance-met to discuss preliminary 2019 budget.
 - e. Curriculum-has not met. Experiential ed sub committee meeting. AEE Conference in ABQ this year. Six teachers signed up, will also take one student.
 - f. Facilities-Wayne has met with architect, but no feedback from WNMU.

- g. Nominating-hasn't met. Emailed Dave, who is happy to help.
- h. Policy-Fiona has done good job of organizing and categorizing policies-work will continue to get all policies organized and in one place. Summer-work on discipline policy, handbook.
- i. Development-unsure regarding future without Dave. Discussion regarding moving forward. Christa has identified opportunities and forwarded to Deb/Dave. Harry suggests forwarding opportunities to Harry and Wayne. Both AJ and Christa have grant writing capabilities-Shauna suggests AJ/Christa restart committee. Wayne will help with identifying a date. Suggestion to put notice in newsletter to recruit parents.
- j. Risk Management-has met. Reviewed backpacking guidelines. Review of policy relevant to rafting.

X. Directors Report

- Lottery-Nineteen 6th graders in first lottery (11 others) would like to aim for 34 students in middle school. Shauna points out we haven't marketed the high school because of space. Planning to advertise school grade-have space for additional facts about school.
- Academic performance update-SBA testing in progress, projects ongoing, meetings with parents expressing concern about projects and stress.
- Annual fundraiser May 5th WNMU Library, 5-7 pm. \$25/ticket.
- Former student tagged teacher's truck. Posted on YouTube prior to incident. Two current Aldo students involved. Police investigating. Working with two current students to regain trust.

XI. Old Business – Christa went to training in Santa Fe. Positive review. Discussion regarding possibility of offering 3 hours of 10 hours of training needed for new GC members locally.

XII. New Business-Spring Fund Raising event-already discussed.

XIII. Action Items-None

Budget Adjustment Requests-None

XIV. Closed session to discuss personnel issues: moved that the GC enter closed session to discuss Director's evaluation *pursuant to NM Stat § 10-15-1*. Shauna moves to go into closed session. A roll call vote was held with the following voting results.

	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
David Peck	X			
Shauna McCosh	X			
Mary Gruszka	X			
A.J. Sandoval	X			
Christa Osborne	X			
Martin Maxwell				X

The matters discussed in the closed meeting were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure.

XV. End of meeting roll call: Shauna, AJ, Christa, Dave, Mary

Adjourned at 7:38 pm

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting Date: Thursday, April 12th 2018 at 5:30pm