**AURORA BORELIS CHARTER SCHOOL**

**ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**AGENDA**

**November 29, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.**

1. Welcome
   1. Call to Order 17:30 Mr. Jackman
   2. Roll Call
      1. Present- Mr. Jackman, Mr. Sturman, Mr. Klein, Mr. Strait, Mr. Montague, Mr. McCanna
      2. Absent- Mr. Gordon
   3. Introduction of Guests: Mrs. Jennifer Moss, Mrs. Dana McDonald, Mrs. Jennifer Joanis
   4. Approval of Minutes for October 9, 2018: Motion by Mr. Klein, second Mr. Sturman
   5. Any additions to the Agenda
      1. Motion by Mr. Montague to move item 7 ‘New Charter School Progress’ forward to third agenda. Mr. Klein to Second.
   6. Approval of Agenda:

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1. PARENT COMMENTS:
   1. Mrs. Jonas thanks the APC for their work with ABCS.
   2. Mrs. Moss thanks the APC for their work and assistance with the charter for an ABCSHS. She also thanks Mr. McCanna for his assistance.
2. STAFF COMMENTS: None
3. NEW CHARTER SCHOOL PROGRESS:
   1. Mr. Strait: KPBSD will vote on the High School charter this coming Monday 12/3/18. The high school committee was informed by Assistant Superintendant Jones that he would recommend not approving due to Facilities issue. The initial plan was to use Portables at ABCS current location while looking into moving into the old Carrs Mall, however the district does not feel portables are a viable option. The HS committee is asking the ABCS APC for their support and the potential to share the current facility as outlined by Mr. Anderson until the committee could solidify another facility; possibly one to two years but with a four year commitment as the district is asking for that.
   2. Mr. Moss: The issue with the Carrs Mall is coding. Education buildings must be coded ‘E’. To obtain this coding would require an engineer to assess the building and Fire Marshall to agree. The cost would be $7K - $20K, but the committee could not move forward with this unless they had a charter and can not get a charter without moving forward with a facility.
   3. Mr. Montague: Difficult time seeing how a ‘worse case’ potential 80 more students would fit into the current arrangement and how that would affect the K-8 program.
   4. Mr. Klein/Mr. McCanna: explains that the new charter would be a three year charter, and the commitment would only be for three years. If a new facility was not found by then and the arrangement was not working, ABCS K-8 would not be required to continue to share facilities.
   5. Mrs. Joanis: Clarified the committee was thinking music/art could potential be moved to portables, freeing up more class space for the facilities to share.
   6. Mrs. McDonald: Discussed the potential for schools within the district to consolidate and how that would free up buildings that are coded ‘E’.
   7. Mr. Moss: Had a discussion with Mr. Micciche about what the Boys and Girls club needed as a facility and if the HS committee would be able to assist in finding an appropriate building that could be used for their offices. Would like to involve some of the APC members in future discussions with him.
   8. Mrs. Joanis: Asked the APC members to sign a letter for the school district offering their full support in an ABCS HS. Also asked any member that would be able to, to attend the meeting on Monday.
4. ~~ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:~~ (see item 8)
5. ADMINISTRATOR MID-YEAR EVALUATION:
   1. Mid-Year evaluation is up. Not as critical as Year-End evaluations with parent/teacher surveys. Board members may be contacted by KPBSD to comment.
6. FINANCIAL REPORT:
   1. Finances are currently still set to rollover the maximum 10%. Teacher and administrators salary negotiations are still ongoing with the district which is an unknown. Worse case is it would be settled the following year with retro-active pay, but Mr. McCanna does not see this as an issue.
7. BUILDING SECURITY:
   1. ABCS building is #2 on the list for Key-Card locks (based on Kenai Alternate on the list). Mr. McCanna thinks it would be spring time before they were installed and the APC would need to have a discussion on if the school would be full lock down during the day or open.
8. ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:
   1. Mr. Jackman apologizing as this was skipped over in the agenda.
   2. Several students on Math Behavorial Contract for not keeping up on homework and re-do’s. The idea of this contract is to get these students to focus on catching up prior to it becoming an academic issue. This seems to be working well. One student on a behavioral contract for points accumulated.
   3. Extra-Curricular activities are doing well. High basketball turnout, boys taking second in districts and the girls winning district. ABCS is also hosting the district Robotics competition.
   4. Staff continues to excel and continually improving. Have been reviewing ABCS core strategy and John Hattie’s research on Direct Instruction and Collective Teacher Efficacy.
9. ~~NEW CHARTER SCHOOL PROGRESS:~~ (Was moved to Agenda #3)
10. PARENT COMMENTS:
    1. Mrs. McDonald: concerns with the Key-Card Locks and securing the building with two other entities using the building. Had a discussion with Mr. Miccichi regarding this issue with the Boys and Girls Club, and working together with them to find the best solution.
    2. Mrs. Moss thanks the APC for their time and support both with K-8 and the Highschool Committee.
    3. Mrs. Joanis: Thanks the APC for their time and support with K-8 and HS committee.
11. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:
    1. Mr. Sturman: None.
    2. Mr. Strait: Thanks the guests for attending and their work on the HS committee. Discussed how the district views ABCS and if the public image ABCS needs to be addressed for charter renewals.
    3. Mr. Klein: Thanks the guests for attending.
    4. Mr. Jackman: Thanks the HS committee for their work, and clarifies they have his support. Any contradictory statements regarding sharing facilities in regard to the HS was in regards to how it would affect the K-8 program.
    5. Mr. Montague: Thanks the HS committee, supports the committee and the work they have done so far.
12. NEXT MEETING DATE: February 4, 2019 17:30
13. ADJOURNMENT: Motion Strait, Second Klein.