

WINTERBERRY CHARTER SCHOOL  
ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE dba WINTERBERRY CHARTER COUNCIL  
AGENDA  
04/15//2021  
6 pm

Attendance: Julie Pepe-Phelps, Nick Perry, Peter Host, Susannah Numme, Jessie Menkens, Marc Stover, Lisa Stratford, Sarah Glaser, Alex Schutz, Sue Armstrong, Shana Garrels, Molly Towner, Paula Dobbyn

**I. Opening**

- A. Motto of the Social Ethic by Rudolf Steiner  
*"The healing social life is found  
when in the mirror of each human soul  
the whole community finds its reflection  
and when in the community  
the virtue of each one is living."*
- B. Song
- C. Excitement Sharing

**II. Approval of Minutes**

Peter Host moved to approve the agenda. Jessie Menkens 2nd. Approved unanimously.

**III. Approval of Agenda**

Jessie Menkens moved to approve the agenda as amended (with date correction in the heading, executive session added for Principal evaluation.). Peter Host 2nd. Approved unanimously.

- IV. Community Comments** [3 minutes each] *Please note: This is the public's time to talk and the board's time to listen. Winterberry Charter Council does not hear complaints against students or personnel in public session. It is not the board's practice to engage in discussion or to answer questions during community comments. Commenters' names will be recorded in the minutes. Thank you.*

No community comments were made.

**V. Informational Reports**

- A. Principal's Report  
Attached.
- B. Faculty Report  
Faculty is both excited and exhausted to be back face-to-face and online at the same time.
- C. WPG Report (Jessie Menkens)  
The WPG wishes to thank the faculty for their support of each child. They are thrilled to be able to allocate over \$11,000 to support 7 faculty members' professional development this summer (some virtual; some in-person). The elections were recently held, with these results: Erin Schneider-president, Tapia Stover- Vice President, Jennifer Sersa- fundraising chair. The WPG wishes to express much gratitude to the outgoing officers. A committee of the WPG will start soon to plan a back-to-school gathering for the fall.
- D. Committee Reports
  - 1. Administrative Committees [answers to principal]

- a. Safety (Julie Pepe-Phelps)
  - \*The committee is currently made up of Katrina Seater, Colleen Morris, Shana Garrels, and Julie Pepe-Phelps.
  - \*There will be STAR presentations on personal safety and sexual harassment next week for all grades, K-8.
  - \*A successful fire drill was recently held, with 2 more to come-staggered so that each cohort of students has one.
  - \*Each class will practice walking to College Gate Elementary as part of ALICE training.
  - \*CPR training has been completed.
  - \*Please stop at the stop sign at the end of the driveway.
  - \*No cell phone use is allowed on school property while operating a vehicle.
- b. Outdoor Playspace
  - Nothing to report
- 2. WCC subcommittees
  - a. Legislative Policy (Jessie Menkens)
    - The house is working through a budget. The senate finance committee is working on the allocation of federal funds. The focus will probably be added benefits to public schools.
  - b. Budget
    - Attached.
  - c. Grant Committee
    - Nothing to report.

**VI. Business**

- A. Charter Council Member Agreements
- B. Principal Evaluation

Peter Host moved to move to executive session for the principal evaluation.  
Paula Dobbyn 2nd. Approved unanimously.

- C. Gratitude

Adjournment:

Susannah Numme moved to adjourn. Peter Host seconded. Approved unanimously.



## April 2021 Budget Report

- **ESSER I (Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief) Funds**
  - 13.2 Billion
  - Remaining \$8969 of the \$56,614 allocated
  - Funds being spent on
    - Additional PPE, Air purifiers, Quality Air Controls
    - Substitutes to assist in cohorts
    - New computers and computer cart
    - Teacher support
- **ESSER II (Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief) Funds**
  - 53.4 Billion
  - Received \$273,954
  - All funds available, need to use all ESSER I funds first
  - Allocation budget sent to Finance
    - A full time tutor for two years
    - A part time counselor for two years
    - Instructional contract services to educate parents, students and staff with struggles that arose from the pandemic
    - Replacement of teaching supplies and additional PPE supplies for the next two years
- **ESSER III (Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief) Funds**
  - 122.7 Billion, signed March 11, 2021
  - Unknown amount to be received, how it will be allocated or grant the stipulations

Principal's Report for WCC

4-15-21

Julie Pepe-Phelps

*Winterberry's Mission: Growing the innate potential of each child.*

*Winterberry's Vision: To receive the children in reverence, educate them in love and send them forth in freedom.*

### **HEART**

- Happy students, teachers and parents! Lots of positive feedback.
- Beginning to plan for May Fest
- Welcoming our new students in kindergarten and other grades from the recent lottery

### **HANDS**

- Watercolor paintings all over school
- Grade 7 Wooden spoon and leather mask making
- Grade 8 Platonic solid model study

### **HEAD**

- PEAKS testing going smoothly.
- Teacher appreciating the ability to have smaller groups for assessment
- Grateful for Teacher Training funded by our WPG-many teacher signing up for virtual and in person offering this summer

Love is higher than opinion. If people love one another the most varied opinions can be reconciled - thus one of the most important tasks for humankind today and in the future is that we should learn to live together and understand one another. If this human fellowship is not achieved, all talk of development is empty.