

WINTERBERRY CHARTER SCHOOL  
ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE dba WINTERBERRY CHARTER COUNCIL  
AGENDA  
2/15/2017  
6 pm

Attendance: Sheryl Toscano, Shana Garrels (Business Manager), Meggan Judge (President), Eric Andersen (Principal),  
Claire LeClair, Marya Pilifant,, Jessie Menkens (WCC/WEP Liasion), Erin Schneider, Rebecca Steadman, Mark Stover (New  
Community Rep), Oona Martin, Dara Lively

**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**

November Minutes: Motion Sheryl Toscano; January Minutes: Erin approves 2<sup>nd</sup> Clair LaClair; Special  
needing 2/1/18 Rebecca

**III.**

**Approval of Agenda:** Marya approves agenda and Jessie 2<sup>nd</sup> with changes deleting A and B under  
administrative committee and eliminating faculty report; Strike NVC from agenda. Strike the Charter  
revision since it is approved. Outdoor play space committee will be tabled.

**IV. Community Comments (3 minutes each)**

**V. Informational Reports**

- A. Budget Report: Shana reported that new teacher contract will increase in monthly allowed benefits.  
See details in Budget report. Discussed supply fees of \$100 per child. Will send supply fee request to  
parents if they don't remember if they already paid. Need to address this at the beginning of school to  
ensure the expectation. When a parent cannot afford the supply fee, other parents are able to help  
contribute (possibly via Zangle).
- B. Administrator's Report (Eric Andersen)  
Looking for good turnout for the parent survey through 3/9. Current enrollment is 227 with about 120  
new students on the waiting list. Ms Seiff has stated that she wil not return for next year. We thank Ms.  
Seiff for all the wonderful things she has brought to Winterberry over the last three years. She will be  
missed. Next week is parent teacher conferences.
- C. Faculty Report (not presented)
- D. WPG report: Jessie Menkens: Attended last WPG meeting regarding fundraising, earned income  
opportunities and balance with large events and other opportunities that can go towards non-profit.  
Discussing teacher training protocol and process regarding needed training and how they are being  
requested, approved and purchased. Discussed three body communication. Winterfair earned 3,500  
dollars. With Enchanted village it includes about \$7000. We are discussing the need for a better  
balance of the energy of parents and the balance. Encourage participation. Erin Schneider stated that  
other Waldorf schools provide a guide for parents on volunteering and funding. Oona Marten discussed  
preparation for next school year regarding expectations. Discussed the need to bring the broader  
community to Winterberry fundraising events. However, there are issues with parking that need to be  
addressed.
- E. Committee Reports:
  - 1. Administrative Committees [answers to principal]
    - a. Expansion: On track with building expansion. ASD may go straight to a board meeting regarding the  
expansion.
    - b. Safety Committee: Dara, Kylara, Principle Anderson presented a message to the community  
regarding safety measures for Winter Faire. It was a safe and successful event.

c. Outdoor play space: Oona reported that it is still on the table.

2. WCC subcommittees:

- a. Elections: Julie will serve as faculty member. Welcome to Mark as a new community member!  
Need a Treasurer.
- b. School Communication (new agenda item)
- c. Supervisory committee: Need evaluation of Principle Anderson.
- d. Legislative policy: HB 287 – Flat funding for BSA. HB 339 to increase BSA. Great Alaska Schools helps advocate and tracks bills. Opportunities to testify. Communication to parents about legislative issues regarding schools is needed.
- e. Gratit
- f. Business (none)
- g. Executive Session: Moved to Executive session at 7:51pm: Meggan moves to leave executive session. No action was taken 8:03pm.
- h. Next meeting 3/22/18 at 6pm.
- i. Marya moves to adjourn; Jessie seconds.