



*American River Charter School
6620 Wentworth Springs Rd. Georgetown. CA
530-333-8340
ARCS Council Meeting Minutes*

November 5, 2019

Location: American River Charter School Eagle's Nest
School Motto: "Soaring to new Heights Together"

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Details

Council Members: Ray Berrett
Anne Thomas
Penny Howell
Dustin Bunge
Adela Breaux
Tami Elliott
Kati Jardine
Elizabeth Haines
David Gleason, ARCS Director

- 1.0. Call to Order- 3:20 pm
- 1.1. Roll Call

Present: Anne Thomas, Penny Howell, David Gleason, Ray Barrett, Adela Breaux, Elizabeth Haines and Tami Elliott

Absent: Dustin Bunge and Kati Jardine

2.1 Pledge of Allegiance

Council Chair, Penny Howell led the Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 Action: Adoption of the agenda

Motion By: Penny Howell

Second By: Ray Berrett

Ayes: Penny Howell, Anne Thomas, David Gleason, Ray Berrett, Adela Breaux, Elizabeth Haines and Tami Elliott

Absent: Dustin Bunge and Kati Jardine

Results: Motion Passed

4.0 Communications

4.1 No oral Communications.

4.2 Written Communications:

Anne Thomas received concerns from site teachers. The council's response is to accept copies of the written communications and to put on the agenda for discussion at the next session.

5.0 Reports:

5.1 FARCS report:

President Anna Hess reported results of Movie Night (32 kids went, \$110 made), Harvest Festival resulted in approximately \$900 raised. A \$2300 setback from last year has resulted in FARCS needing to come up with solutions to raise more funds this year.

5.2 Teacher's report:

Site: Anne Thomas passed out individual reports handouts from TK/K, 1st/2, 5th/6 and 7th/8. Ray Barrett provided an oral report for 3rd/4. All classes are quite active with various field trips and on site activities that include academics as well as art, sewing, and PE. Many of the classes are working together on various projects and are thriving in this teamwork environment.

Home school: Kati Jardine was absent but Penny Howell reported that the outages didn't affect their learning time. Countless field trips and community involvement projects are up and coming.

5.3 Financial report:

Laura Money penny was absent. David Gleason said nothing new to report.

5.4 Director's report:

David Gleason provided an update on school happenings. 7 days have been missed due to power outages. Waiting on district and state for waivers or make-up dates. Current enrollment is 146 homeschool and 107 on site. # applications have been submitted and are pending. Working with teacher's on keeping ratios rather than new hires. Staff meeting Thursday with homeschool teachers. Union update-only 1 meeting has occurred. November 18 will be a negotiation meeting so we will have more to report at a later date, although most will be confidential. A group from Folsom Lake College presented a play for the 3-8 grades with the lesson learned being "you can grow up to be whatever you want to be."

6.0 Information and Discussion:

6.1 Hiring a part-time homeschool office staff member- meeting to discuss.

6.2 Charter Council Oversight responsibilities. Charter petition states we should be doing this. A thorough discussion into how to proceed was had. David Gleason will research a little more.

7.0 Action items:

7.1 Approval of 10/7/19 Council minutes

7.2 Approval of 10/16/19 Council minutes

7.3 Set study session for finishing Charter petition for 11/13/2019 at 9 am.

Adela Breaux makes a motion to approve all action items Second: Anne Thomas

Ayes: Anne Thomas, David Gleason, Penny Howell, Adela Breaux, Ray Berrett, Elizabeth Haines and Tami Elliott

Result: Motion passed

8.0 Calls for topics for next meeting

Site teacher concerns - address their written communications

Charter petition

9.0 Adjournment: 4:43 pm

Motion: David Gleason Second: Adela Breaux

Ayes: Anne Thomas, Elizabeth Haines, Penny Howell, Adela Breaux, David Gleason, Ray Berrett and Tami Elliott

Result: Motion passed

