

**Anvil City Science Academy  
Academic Policy Committee  
Regular Meeting**

**January 18, 2007**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Pat Hahn called a scheduled Regular Meeting of the Academic Policy Committee to order at 6:40 p.m., Thursday, January 18, 2007 in the City of Nome Council Chambers at City Hall, in Nome, AK.

**PRESENT**

Todd Hindman  
Jane Anderson  
Cheri Kruschek

Randy Romenesko  
Pat Hahn

**VISITORS**

Christine Schultz

Sylvia Matson

1. The minutes of the December 2006 regularly scheduled meeting were adopted unanimously.
2. School Board Report:  
Mr. Hindman presented the school board report. We are currently at full enrollment with 44 students.  
  
Student of the month for December:.....Donald Handeland.
3. Enrollment Update:  
Three new students were enrolled on January 15, 2007.
4. Waiting List Update:  
ASCA now has seven students on the waiting list.
5. Budget Update:  
No unforeseen expenses of monetary issues. ACSA will be receiving additional funds from the AkDEED Small Charter School Grant – approximately \$26,000. Items identified for consideration to be purchased with the grant funds include:
  - Books for NHS and NES libraries
  - Books to support the ACSA four year education cycle
  - Additional band instruments
  - Computer programs for the ACSA classrooms
  - PE equipment
  - Support an Artist-in-Residence request.

6. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip Policy:  
Draft policy was reviewed by the APC and appropriate amendments were made. The policy was moved by Cheri, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jane to adopt the policy as amended. The motion was adopted unanimously. (Adopted Policy attached.)
  
7. Absences:  
Absenteeism is a serious concern for staff and the APC. Parents need to be encouraged and informed of the ramifications associated with excessive absentee. After extensive discussion it was decided to not develop an absentee policy. It was decided that standardized letters to parents at 10 and 20 day absences would be developed with the idea of trying to engage parents in the education of their children.
  
8. Committee Members:  
Randy moved, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cheri to seat Jane Anderson, Randy Romenesko and Christine Schultz to the APC.  
  
Cheri Kruschek has resigned from the board after having successfully served the school for six years.
  
9. Personal Computer Cart and PC's:  
The Committee discussed the disposition of an old PC cart and associated PC's. It was decided to offer the equipment to Northwest Campus (for tech. training), Boys and Girls Club, or Pearl Mikulski (for refurbishing).

### **BOARD COMMENTS**

Jane: Can we change the process or program for the spelling packets? Jane will work with the teachers on this issue.

Christine: Glad to be on the Committee.

Cheri: It has been great working with the APC and sending my child through the ACSA program. Keep parents involved, they are the key to success.

Randy: Thanks Cheri, it has been a pleasure having your support and energy.

Mr. Hindman: Thanks Cheri.

Pat: Thanks Cheri. Read "Rich Dad, Poor Dad" it's a good educational book.

**NEXT MEETING**

The ACSA APC next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 22, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

**ADJOURNMENT**

By unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.