

WINTERBERRY CHARTER SCHOOL
ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE dba WINTERBERRY CHARTER COUNCIL

Minutes

08/18/22

6 pm over zoom

Attendance: Neil Brauer (guest at beginning of meeting), Chris Griffith (visitor at beginning of meeting), Peter Host, Julie Pepe-Phelps, Nick Perry, Molly Towner

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 and Welcoming

II. Approval of Minutes

Nick Perry moved to approve the April minutes. Peter Host 2nd. The minutes were approved.

III. Approval of Agenda

Peter Host moved to approve the agenda. Nick Perry 2nd. The agenda was approved.

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.

V. Informational Reports

A. Administrator’s Report (Julie Pepe-Phelps)

Attached.

B. Faculty Report (Molly Towner)

The faculty had 3 days of meetings and room setup time and were ready to go by 4pm the day before school started.

C. WPG Report (TBD)

No report

D. Budget Report (Shana Garrels)

The budget was based on 240 students. We should be within our budget.

E. Committee Reports

1. Administrative Committees [answers to principal]

a. Safety

No report

b. Outdoor Playspace

The mud committee has been meeting.

2. WCC subcommittees

a. Legislative Policy

No report

b. Grant Committee

No report

c. Elections Committee Board Roster and Openings

i. Voting / Recruitment

The WCC will have a table at the back-to-school potluck and will send a representative to the 1st parent meeting of each grade.

The next election cycle is February, but open seats can be filled anytime.

Peter Host moved to move Marc Stover from seat D to seat G. Nick Perry 2nd.

Peter moved to fill seat D with Neil Brauer. Nick 2nd.

Peter moved to fill seat H with Chris Griffith. Nick Perry 2nd.

Peter moved to move Nick Perry from seat E to I (WPG/WCC liaison). Chris Griffith 2nd.

1. Seat A faculty
2. Seat B faculty
3. Seat D (Marc) Parent of Community
4. Seat F (Peter) Parent
5. Seat H Parent
6. Seat I WPG Liaison
7. Seat K Parent
8. Seat M Parent or Community

VI. Business

A. Growing the WCC

B. 3 Body Meeting

- a. Establish time and date for meeting
- b. Create a strategic plan to increase diversity and access to WCS
- C. Monthly Leadership Meetings (WCC rep, WPG rep, WFC chair, Principal)
- D. Gratitude
- E. Adjournment:

Peter Host moved to adjourn the meeting. Neil Brauer 2nd. The meeting was adjourned.

Principal's Report for WCC

8-18-22

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

- Hoping that this **summer break** was playful, restful and restorative for all!
- Please read **Winterberry Business** newsletter each Thursday-for highlights of each week and upcoming events.
- **On-going School Tours**-continue to spread the word about our wonderful school!
- Families and teachers looking forward to annual **Back to school BBQ**
- **Welcome our new teachers!** Ms. Amy (Kindergarten) and Ms. Lowrance (Grade 2) Please see weekly newsletter and website for bios and photos.
- Our **World language teacher, Ms. Fuller and husband, Jonny**, welcomed a beautiful baby girl, **Aethelflaed**, June 5th.

HANDS

- **Facility re-fresh:** Ongoing list available for minor repairs and improvements
- **Play yard projects:** Sandbox and outdoor storage projects coming together. Volunteers needed to weed and spiff up grounds. Mud issue remedy project in process.

HEAD

- **Wonderful First day for Grades 2-8!** Winterberry was bustling today with students, teachers and parents. Everyone is happy to be back together! Our Kinders, Grade one and Hybrid parent meetings are happening this week and we will welcome them next Thursday.
- **Summer Waldorf training.** Teachers have reported great training experiences this summer! Much gratitude to WPG for all fundraising efforts on behalf of our Faculty and staff.
- **Finishing Waldorf Masters Certificate,** I completed the last leg of my classwork for my masters certificate this summer and will finish practicum work this fall.

“Our highest endeavor must be to develop **free human beings** who are able of themselves to impart **purpose** and **direction** to their lives. The need for **imagination**, a **sense of truth**, and a feeling of **responsibility** — these three forces are the very nerve of education.”

Rudolf Steiner