Palouse Prairie Educational Organization
Doing business as
Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning
Workshop Meeting

May 10, 2012 7-9:00 PM
Location: Palouse Prairie School Building, 1500 Levick St, Moscow ID

Board Members Attending: Nils Peterson (NP), Brian Gardner (BG), Jennifer Whitney (JW), Joseph Erhard-Hudson (JEH), Lydia Stewart (LS)
Teacher Representative: Jacob Ellsworth
Director: Summer Clayton
Absent: Ivan Wright
Public: Pat Clelland, Rhonda Brooks, Rebekka Boysen-Taylor, Jeneille Branen, Kevin Hill (Jr High School Principal), Greg Larson
Note Taker: Jennifer Whitney

Call to Order

1. Approval of Published Agenda for this meeting
Approval of agenda as written, or approval of modified agenda including reasons for modification.
BG moved to approve, JW seconded, unanimous approval
2. Welcome to public audience and guests (5 min)
We welcome our guests to this evening's Palouse Prairie School board meeting. The goal for this meeting is to meet our vision of an inclusive environment, our legal requirements, and our practical need to accomplish business in an efficient manner. There is a place later in the meeting for public comments. If you wish to have an item added to our agenda, please see the Board Chair.
3. Announcements
    3.1 Questions asked during Charter Commission site visit
    3.2 Albertson Foundation ID21 Award Nominations open, see http://www.jkaf.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/ID21-awards-flyer.pdf
    3.3 US Dept of Ed Dissemination Grant - due June 6

4. Presentation
Presentations should be scheduled in advance with the Board Chair. Participation by students is encouraged.
    4.1 Kevin Hill, Moscow Jr High Principal re: Attendance procedures
    Original policy: once a student reaches 10 absences then the administrator would go back and decide if they were excused or not. Led to problems, looked at all students that would be likely to be affected--found 25. Current policy: 6 days per quarter are how many they find are allowable. Different from habitual truancy. If a student is making academic success/progress while missing school for various reasons, they do not count toward attendance court. 4 absences sets up a contact to check in with family to encourage attendance, when they reach 6

absences without improvement, then it triggers prompt for attendance court. If a student was not successful during the problem-solving phase of attendance court, then there would be a suggestion for the juvenile court system (likely a truancy hearing), which involves a hearing with a judge. Lack of academic progress is their key for triggering a formal process.

5. Public Comment Period (limit 15 minutes)

At this point in the agenda, members of the public are welcome to come forward, identify themselves (name and address) and speak on any topic relevant to tonight's agenda. The time allotted for a speaker is three minutes. The Board will refrain from responding beyond asking for a clarification.The comments presented at this time will be reviewed by the Board.

None

6. Action Items

6.1 Consent Agenda

Any member can ask to have an item removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as part of the regular meeting. These alterations to the agenda will happen at this point in the meeting. Removed items will be addressed immediately after the Consent Agenda. Consent Agenda items are not discussed and will be addressed as a single motion.

6.1.A Approve 2012-13 School Calendar

JEH motioned to move, LS seconded, unanimous approval

6.2 Select date for 2012-13 annual business meeting and date for ISBA training

ISBA Summer Leadership Institute Cd'A July 26th, $70 per person, registration deadline May 31st to get the cheaper rate. It goes to $100 after that. Once every three years one of the ISBA trainers can come to us for training, so we could decide a time to do this.

7. Workshops

7.1 Budget workshop for FY 13 (school year 2012-13)

Public forum for providing input to Board and Director about draft 2012-13 budget.

Need to raise lots of money!

7.2 Dual Enrollment Policy Development (Tentative)

Postponed

8. Executive Session - finalize Director's annual review

Agreed on the final annual review document.

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