

WINTERBERRY CHARTER SCHOOL
ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE dba WINTERBERRY CHARTER COUNCIL

Draft Minutes

02/15/24

6 pm at Winterberry, Room TBD

Attendance: Shana Garrels, Sarah Glaser, Ruger Johnsen, Nick Perry, Becky Porter,
Molly Towner, Shannon Uffenbeck

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 –

Ruger Johnsen moved to approve the January 2024 minutes. Nick Perry seconded. The minutes were approved.

III. Approval of Agenda

Ruger Johnsen moved to approve the agenda. Becky Porter seconded. . 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.*

V. Informational Reports

B. Legislative Policy Committee

BSA Legislation- includes language that changes the charter school approval process to be only at the state level. What are the ramifications if it goes to the state?

Should the legislative committee decide on a stance with political issues?

If so, should the stances be made public (Thursday newsletter)? Is the WPG a better group to do this? (Ask Jason and communication dept?)

Should the legislative policy committee merge with the Alaska Reads Act Committee?

C. Grant Committee

D. Alaska Reads Act Committee

Interested in ways to get access to data showing reading scores for Winterberry over the years (Aims, Map) to show achievement in grades 3 +.

Schools are legally required to let parents know they can opt out of testing - and schools are not supposed to be penalized.

Discussion about mixing meetings for the Alaska Reads Act and the Legislative Policy Committee.

E. Outdoor Site Committee (Ruger Johnsen)

We are weeks behind where we wanted/planned to be at this point in February, but should still be on track to go for a bid in March.

Ruger Johnsen moved to elect Trevor Holm to the position of the secretary. Nick Perry seconded. He was elected to the position of secretary.

Ruger Johnsen moved to elect Shannon Uffenbeck to the position of vice-chair. Nick Perry seconded. She was unanimously elected to the position of vice-chair.

Nick Perry moved to re-elect Marc Stover to the position of chair. Shannon Uffenbeck seconded the motion. He was reelected to the position of chair. Nick Perry, elected by the WPG as the WPG/WCC liaison, will stay in his seat for the