

Frontier Charter School APC Meeting
Location: Frontier Eagle River Office
16707 Coronado St; Eagle River, AK 99577
8:30 am - 12:00 pm
April 30, 2022
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Members attending in person: Steve Darrell, Jill Blackstone, Kathy Houser, Joyce Burke, Frank Schneider

Members attending in Zoom: Mary Morgan

Frontier Staff attending: Scott Grant, Amy Darrell

Frontier Staff attending via Zoom: Jerry Finkler (Ex Officio)

Call to Order: A quorum being present, Steve Darrell convened the meeting at 8:45 am.

Approval of Agenda: Steve Darrell moved to approve. Kathy Houser seconded.

Approval of Minutes 4/11/2022: Frank Schneider moved to approve minutes Joyce Burke seconded.

Administrative Reports:

- A. Graduation Ceremony
- B. School Improvement Plan

Work Sessions:

- A. Charter Application Renewal

Training:

- A. Charter Mission and Vision Statements
- B. Educational Philosophy
- C. Section 5
- D. Alaska Statutes on Charter Schools

Public Comment: None

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 am: Steve Darrell moved to adjourned

Next Meeting: 5/24/2022 at the Anchorage Office from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., to include a work session

Hand out at the work session:

KEY TO UNDERSTANDING THE COLOR CODING

GREEN INK: APC motioned to approve this in the last couple of years.

PURPLE INK: In the current charter. APC had motioned to approve this nine years ago, as a part of the last charter application. **Question is, “Do you want to keep it?”**

Vision Statement: All students are prepared to navigate their own Frontier.

- ❖ Frontier Charter students are [College Ready, Career Ready, and Life Ready.](#) -Click here to research their statement.
- ❖ Frontier Charter School is a learning organization for parents that help families teach students to take responsibility for their own learning.
- ❖ Frontier serves full-time homeschooling families in the Anchorage School District who are pursuing academic excellence.

Mission Statement: To equip students by creating an ideal educational community linking homes, experts and learners.

Program Philosophy: One of the primary reasons parents choose to homeschool their children is their belief that they can help each of their children achieve academic excellence. This belief stems from the fact that they are willing and able to give education top priority and that they can build an individualized education program that meets the needs of each child. Frontier Charter School is designed to facilitate the latter. With the assistance of public funds, Frontier Charter School will provide qualified instructors and community resources including guidance to parents, books and supplies, online courses, small group classes, university level classes, one-on-one tutoring, distance learning courses, classes offered by local vendors, and access to facilities, as necessary.

Frontier’s niche in the home-school community: We provide families the opportunity to discover their child’s unique patterns of learning through the Frontier Learning Profile. The Frontier Learning Profile consists of a series of assessments based on the most up-to-date brain research that helps families understand how their child learns. A learning profile is a map or picture of an individual’s unique patterns of noticing and taking in information, processing and organizing it and responding to and interacting with their environment.

Need For the Charter School: Each year hundreds of students in Anchorage search out homeschool options. Frontier Charter School provides regular orientations and workshops for the

Anchorage community.

(I'm not sure how best to say this, but consider adding The Frontier Way, below)

Pursuing Academic Excellence by the Way we Partner with People: "The Frontier Way"

Supporting Homeschoolers in the Last Frontier

- Genuine respect, admiration and appreciation for homeschool parents and students.
- Parents and students are treated with courtesy.
- Honesty, Integrity, Fairness and Friendliness in all that we do.
- We provide resources in support of your educational values and goals for your student.
- True flexibility to genuinely customize an education plan.
- Our goal, in everything we do, is to make a homeschool parent's job easier.
- You will experience meaningful customer service.
- We offer the greatest level of freedom to choose the curriculum that you want.
- At Frontier, you choose the instructional vendor that **you** want.
- Academic Advising: as much as you want; as little as you need.
- Better access to individual ASD classes, programs, sports and activities.
- ASD Diploma. Cognia (AdvancEd) accredited since 2014.