



American River Charter School
6620 Wentworth Springs Rd. Georgetown. CA
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ARCS Charter Council Regular Meeting
December 9, 2025, 3:15 pm
School Motto: "Soaring to New Heights Together"

1.0 **Call to Order:** 3:20 p.m.

2.0 **Roll Call :** Karen Shadle, Anne Thomas, Amber Smith, Madi Morris, Charissa Morris, Ryan Sevy

2.1 **Pledge of Allegiance:**

3.0 **Action Items:**

3.1 Read and approve minutes from Nov. 4, 2025, meeting

Motion: Karen Second: Charissa Yes X No

3.2 Adoption of The Agenda:

Motion: Madi Second Karen Yes X No

4.0 **Communications**

Members of the public may address the Charter Council on any items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Charter Council, but are not on the agenda or are on the consent agenda. However, the Charter Council shall not act upon, respond to, or comment on the merits of any item presented during the Oral Communications, although the Charter Council may ask clarifying questions of the presenter or refer the presenter to a District procedure if appropriate. (Government Code Sections 54954.2 and 54954.3) This is also the time to address any items on the consent agenda.

4.1 Oral Communications- (3-minute limit)

4.2 Written Communications: email from Jessie A. ; passed out to council members.

5.0 **Action items:**

6.0 **Information and Discussion:**

6.1 WASC: Category A: Governance Questions for Charter Council input:

6.2 Prop 28 Art Money: How do we want to spend it? (cont'd discussion): Sewing machines, 3-D printer, for Maker's Space, Cafeteria could be used for setting up art/ maker's space, music items,

sound system for students who want to do audio tech, Talent Show could be part of Field Day/ Open House/ Open Mic. performances by Jubilation

6.3 Math help for students (cont'd discussion) - ST created videos, Family math nights with resources

6.4 Research Area/ Activities for High School Students (cont'd discussion): Not discussed

6.5 (.5 FTE) ST Position (cont'd discussion): Update: we are looking at hiring a 1.0 next fall and will not be hiring at the semester.

7.0 Reports:

7.1 **Student Report:** Madi Morris: student survey update: Madi shared updates on the survey and will give a detailed report at the next meeting.

7.2 **Parent Report:** Jessie Anderson, Charissa Morris : nothing to report

7.3 **Teacher Report:** Ryan Sevy: College & Career: We have created a committee to look into NCAA approval for ARCS. We are reviewing and updating our course list currently.

Karen Shadle: Writing Assessment, WASC: Karen shared that the staff will be correcting and reviewing student writing at our Staff Meeting on 12/12/17, Category A questions for Charter Council Members: We listed ways that stakeholders share information, hold each other accountable and are involved in the decision-making process at ARCS. The charter council members vote on items, agendas and minutes are posted, assessment information is shared with the council, and the council has input on how funds are used to purchase resources and materials for student use.

7.4 **Budget report:** Amber Smith: Amber presented the Interim Budget for ARCS. ARCS has to apply for full funding. 80 % of revenue must be spent on instructional items.

7.5 **Staff Report:** Christina Mulford: no report (Tina is out sick.)

7.6 **Directors' Report:** Anne Thomas:

Enrollment: Homeschool: 281 Waitlist: 57

WASC Update: Focus groups are making good progress on writing up the Criterion areas for their respective Categories.

Report Cards: We have new TK-6th standards-based report cards that will be used for first semester.

Adopt-an-Angel: Rebecca Noriega headed up this project and collected 120 gifts!

Field Trips: Upcoming: The Observatory in Placerville, Bowling

Events: Scholastic Book Fair will be the first week of February.

8.0 **Call for topics for next meeting:** Student Survey, Math Resources, Prop 28 Funding

9.0 **Adjournment:** 4:17 p.m.

Motion ___Charissa_____ Second __Madi_____ Yes X No ___