

2017/18 Academy Parent Council (APC) Spending Policy

Overview: The Academy Parent Council occasionally raises money for the Council itself -- primarily through the pie sale at the Ashfield Fall Festival on Columbus Day Weekend. These funds are available to support the mission of the APC throughout the year. The procedure for spending these funds (generally a few thousand dollars), which are kept by the school, are as follows:

Priority setting: By October every year, the APC membership will discuss and set general spending priorities at a regular APC meeting, and decide what percent of the balance to retain in the account. *APC members at 2017 meetings were clear about their desire to support classroom needs of teachers and teacher appreciation items.*

Spending Requests: Requests for spending from the APC account may come from any Academy community member -- faculty, staff, student, or parent. They should be brought to the next quarterly APC meeting, and be voted on there. Once a vote has been taken to allocate funds for a particular request/need, the Co-chairs will inform the Head of School to allocate the designated funds.

If the next APC meeting is more than a month away, small time-sensitive funding requests that are in keeping with the established priorities of the APC may be considered by a sub-committee of the APC, including the Co-Chairs and a few parents who have volunteered for the task.

The parents on the sub-committee for 2017-2018 are Janet Mullen, Rebekah Boyd-Owens, Jackie Walsh, in addition to co-chairs Paul Catanzaro and Diane Bigelow.

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