

Cooper Landing School General Pac Meeting Thursday, November 6

Meeting Called to order at 12:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Heather Harrison, Heather Pearson, Laura Johnson, Shannon Ryan, Kathy Recken, Shannon Meredith, Virginia Morgan, Tommy Gossard and Susanna LaRock

Heather Harrison announced that she would like to change the item: reading and approval of minutes to: approval of minutes. She would like for it to be understood that people should have read the minutes before the meeting and be ready with any changes that need to be made before the approval of minutes. This will save time in meetings. It was also decided that we would use the General Housekeeping section of unfinished business to go over **Action Items** from the previous meeting minutes. Heidi had a brief report to make and was added to the agenda. There was a brief discussion about the fact that Michael was on the agenda, but not at the meeting. Heidi explained that Michael understood that she needed to be at the Site Council Meetings, but not at the General Meetings. Kathy explained that it is tradition for a Principal to be at all PAC meetings as parents could make decisions that go against policy. If Michael is not available in person she could skype or phone in. Michael's report was moved to the next site council meeting on January 29.

Then the agenda was approved.

Heidi's report was done first as she had to go oversee children. Heidi reported that there had been an accident in Hope which has resulted in tighter supervision rules being implemented in Cooper Landing. She stated that it is very important that the policies of the district are followed now. Parents can find these policies on the website if they are interested in reading them, or if there are any questions parents can ask Heidi. **AI:** Heidi will email everyone Power School info and print off info for anyone who wants it. Parents who were present received print outs before the end of the meeting.

Minutes from last meeting were approved.

Laura Johnson was added as a new member of PAC

There was a brief discussion about when the principal would be giving reports, because Michael wasn't present the parents took it upon themselves to congratulate teachers, students, volunteers, community and parents on the Reward school status.

Tommy gave a brief teachers report. He explained that the students in his class are too little to be filling out reflection forms. The discipline plan that he uses involves giving a student a yellow card if there is a discipline issue and a red card if the issue continues. It seems to be working well. Shannon reported that she is still using the forms with Michael's urging and doing her best to make them as meaningful as possible for the students. There has been a change to the protocol that was discussed in the last meeting. There will be a form filled out on the first infraction. If there is a similar infraction on the same day another form will be filled out and the student will be expected to call home and inform the parent of the issue. If there is a third infraction the student will be expected to call Michael. It will be Michael's decision alone if a student is sent home. Sending a student home is suspension and it will only be done if

a student is putting students or staff in danger or if a student is seriously impeding the other student's abilities to learn.

Kathy Recken asked if there was a possibility of in school suspension and if we are making sure there is a parent home when a student is sent home. Shannon Ryan noted that there have been some complaints from parents about the content of the forms and she encouraged parents to call Michael with complaints concerns and suggestion. It was reiterated that the forms are a great way to have data about what is going on at the school.

Treasurer's Report: Heather Pearson noted that nothing had changed since last meeting balance still at \$4,509.70. Shannon Meredith presented a check to the PAC for \$1,077 from the King Fisher Road House. This was money raised during their last night of business for the season. A huge thank you goes out to Dominic and Shannon and the King Fisher Road House for their great efforts and contribution. Kathy Recken moved that the PAC should write a thank you to the KFRH and that there should be a public thanks via the Community Crier. AI: Virginia Morgan will write the thank you for the crier. It was decided that the students should make a thank you card.

There was a brief discussion about this year's Christmas program. Parents decided that the last day of school before vacation was the best day to have it. AI: Tommy will look into whether December 18 is an acceptable date with the district. It was decided that the students could recite poetry or literature and there would be music and singing at the end of the program.

Shannon Ryan made a brief note that there was a trip to Anchorage to see the Jabali performance in the works. More information will be given to parents as it becomes available.

Virginia Morgan demonstrated how to link the school calendar with your own Google calendar and encouraged parents to ask her if they needed help doing this.

We went over action items from the last meeting minutes. It was determined that these things either still needed to be done or that there needed to be some confirmation that they were done: AI: Heather P will find out if there is a receipt book, AI: Michael will look into providing a training specific to adult expectations in the school, AI: Heidi will print out and hang around the school Cooper Landing Learning Community Expectations.

Under new business, there was a discussion about the possibility of a Face Book Page. Kathy Recken had suggested that it would be a great way to get the word out to the community and beyond about the wonderful things happening at Cooper Landing School. Parents discussed feed back to Heidi on her email about the possibility. It was presented to parents as another form of communication between school and parents and was not a well received idea. AI: Heather Harrison will talk to Heidi about creating a Face Book page with the target audience being the Community and beyond.

There was then a discussion about fundraising. It was decided that rather than come up with another fundraiser to replace St. Patrick's Day, we concentrate on the CLCS Saturday Market and raising funds at that event. There is the potential for the students to be involved with helping to make goods to sell and

helping to run the booth selling goods. Kathy suggested that as part of an entrance fee to be a seller at the market, vendors should donate an item for a silent auction. There was a suggestion that the students sell plant starts, Mother's Day gifts, etc. AI: Kathy Recken will look into making ceramic plant markers with the students that they could sell. It was decided that we would have a special meeting about the May Market no later than March in order to adequately plan fund raising ideas.

There was then a brief discussion about the best way to communicate with Michael the concerns that parents have. It was decided that two PAC members should make an appointment to discuss with Michael the parents concerns and expectations. AI: Heather Harrison and Susanna LaRock will gather concerns and meet with Michael ASAP.

The next meeting is a site council meeting on January 29<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30