



Cooper Landing School

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“Specialists in Quality Learning”

PAC Minutes

Monday, September 10, 2012

Present: Christine Ermold, Tommy Gossard, Shannon Meredith, Susanna LaRock, Sarah and Joe Miller, Jessica Larsen, Heather Pearson, Virginia Morgan

Principals Report:

School district asked for input on the strategic plan. We'll talk about it more at the next meeting.

Lynn Hohl (school board member) has suggested changes [AR 0420A](#) which **could** affect the PAC's fundraising ability. We need to have a response by the next meeting. Susanna, Heather and Virginia are trying to better understand the issue and will share that info soon. The District has also asked for input on the new Strategic Plan and Goals, which include changes like requiring community service learning opportunities for students.

We have 12 students! Since the school knew a high school and kindergarten student were both coming, instructional aide time was given to the school to help make sure the needs of all the students are being met.

PAC funds: \$2306.74

Teacher's Report:

Do we want to have an artist in residence or do we want to write a grant to take excursions to performances? The consensus seemed to be that parents would prefer to travel to a variety of shows.

Body Worlds will be at the Anchorage Museum this fall. Art class will take place afterward and then the Imaginarium. Parents of children younger than 5th grade would have to attend with their child. Parents who do not want their child to attend could go to the Imaginarium the entire time. Parents are encouraged to view the website (www.anchoragemuseum.org, click on Body Worlds) and provide feedback to Mr. Gossard as soon as possible.

Kristin Fuller and Kristine Route will be working with Mr. Gossard to teach the students AK native studies. This will occur every other Friday at the library. He is waiting to hear back from them about the start date. Virginia (and possibly Barb?) will work to shuttle the students all to the library and maybe parents can pick their child(ren) up from the library on those days.

Charlie Stephens (PE instructor) will begin working with the kids this Thursday morning and several more times through October.

The Halloween Parade will be on October 31 at 2:30pm.

Distance Education. In January, Ms. Emmanuela and her class will be teaching conversational Italian three times a week. Jessica Larsen may be interested in teaching Spanish at some point as well.

Gymnastics will begin in October. Parents will be asked to pay \$20 per child and the school might be able to cover the remaining expenses.

Staff will be at Cooper Landing School for any students not attending field trips.

Picture Day is October 4, 9:00am.

Elections have been postponed until the next meeting on October 9.