



Cooper Landing School Parent Advisory Committee

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PAC Meeting 1.27.2016

Called to order at 12:33pm

Roll Call:

Laura Johnson, Susanna LaRock, Heather Harrison, LA Perkerson, Kira Kangas, Doug Hayman, Tommy Gossard, Virginia Morgan, Jessica Larsen

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made to change the date on agenda from 1.13.2016 to 1.27.2016 to reflect the rescheduled meeting. A motion was also made to scratch 7b from the agenda, as the survey is not ready. The motions passed.

Reading and Approval of Minutes:

The action items from the last meeting were read through and the minutes from the last meeting were approved.

Action items that were discussed:

We received the small schools district statement email from Mr. Hayman.

Thank you cards were done.

We'll be postponing doing the CLCC survey.

We will create a gardening committee at this meeting.

The tri-fold is done.

AI: *Virginia will put the letter writing campaign on the Crier*

AI: *Virginia will take board to this week's CLCC meeting.*

AI: *Laura will bring letter-writing board to March's CLAPC meeting. Did not bring it to January's, and there's not one in February.*

AI: *Susanna did not make it to a Senior meeting, but will go to a future one.*

Addition of New Members:

No potential members were present.

Principal's Report:

There will be an ALICE drill sometime in the spring. Parents are invited to attend and walk through it. **AI:** Mr. Hayman will get us details about the ALICE drill as they are laid out. The goal is to not make the drill a scary event, just preparation. The school will be communicating with Wildmans to be a secondary pickup point – it's far enough away but not too far, and on the correct side of the highway.

Mr. Hayman also officially thanked Laura, Wendy and Susanna for pulling together for the two weeks without Mr. Gossard or Ms. Elizabeth. He commented that such successful cooperation doesn't happen as well just anywhere. Susanna and Laura expressed thanks to Mr. Hayman for being such a great calming influence during that time.

Mr. Hayman also stated he would have to leave at 1:15, and asked that Susanna email him if something comes up in the meeting that needs his attention after he leaves.

Mr. Hayman noted that budgeting is the big topic on the district level, and encouraged us to participate in supporting long-term fixes.

Mr. Hayman was asked to address the rumor of second teacher being hired for the school. He commented that there are no plans in place, and no discussion of it. But he did say that it is not an illogical assumption based on projected enrollment for next school year, but it won't be seriously considered until 20 or more students are actually enrolled with the intent to remain part of the school through the count.

Mr. Hayman also informed us that he would be our principal again next year. This news was happily received.

Teacher's Report:

Skiing starts on February 2. Skiing dates are Feb 2, 16, 23, March 1, 22 and April 5. The students need to be at Alyeska by noon on the first day, February 2, so the plan is to leave by 10:30. Lessons go from 1:15-3:15.

Driving and chaperoning for skiing on Feb 2 were discussed. Dylan and Olive will not be present, and Lena will be coming from Anchorage with LA & Alec. Heather pointed out that all 3 Harrison children will need rides for each lesson. Courtney plans to drive and can take up to 6 children total if one can sit in the front seat. With Mr. Gossard driving that will be sufficient.

Mr. Gossard said that gear rentals are available for chaperones for \$15, with a credit card. If they get quoted differently than that, they should talk to Tommy and he can clear it up. When there are not enough extra lift tickets for all the chaperones, he has the adults wanting tickets split the cost of any extras needed.

An email with skiing details will be sent out to everyone.

February 3rd is an early release day. Students are released at 1:45.

Parent-teacher conference are February 4th & 5th. He is flexible on scheduling conferences and will start talking to parents on Monday for calendaring.

February 10th is Battle of the Books for 3rd & 4th grade.

February 12th the students will exchange valentines and go to Nana's to decorate cookies. No library that day. No snacks needed. Supplies can come from school to make valentine's cards if wanted. Each student must make cards for every other student if they make any at all.

Spring break is March 14-18.

Monday, March 21st the students will go to Dinolight at noon. This is the day after spring break. (Tuesday the 22nd is skiing.) **AI:** The school will need to know who wants to go to Dinolight. (Olive will be gone.)

The week of March 28th is testing for grades 4, 5, and 6. It will be the last year of the AMP test. (Yes, last year was the first year of AMP – it will be getting replaced as it is not meeting needs.)

As for an Artist-in Residence, Laura Forbes says that everything is still in line for it to work, we just have to pick someone who has dates that work and it will happen. The main interest at this point is an illustrator, to help with the Written & Illustrated projects.

Treasurer's Report:

The balance of the PAC account is \$8234.37. This will change soon because skiing will come out of it.

All payments but one have been received for the elf auction. **AI:** Angel owes the last payment and she will be paying it soon.

We got paid by all the vendors at the November market except two no-shows. Peggy's Projects paid, even though she did not attend.

The \$20 per student contribution is still due for skiing. No one had yet paid it.

Gardening committee:

The gardening committee will plan for both the May Market fund raiser and the school garden. Susanna will head it, and she asked that if anyone has gardening expertise that they please volunteer. Heather agreed to be on the committee, as did Laura and Kira.

Deb Carlson had offered to grow extra starts when planning her own garden and donate them to the school - this is an excellent idea to pass around. **AI:** Susanna will ask Jan Mitchell if she can do the same. If we are going to make this request on a broad level, local gardeners would need to know soon because they are about to start their gardens.

The new gardening committee will meet on Feb 8th, after school. They will bring a report to the next PAC meeting. The plan right now is to begin the starts the first week of March.

Small School Matter campaign:

AI: Virginia will be taking the board to the Community Club meeting to let people know we need letters, and to tell people to expect to see the board around. The library may be a good location to set up the board. **AI:** Kira offered to bring it to church.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, February 17th, 12:30 pm at the school. This is a change from the regular second Wednesday schedule.

Adjournment at 1:17pm.