



## Cooper Landing School Parent Advisory Committee

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### **PAC Meeting 4.13.2016**

Called to order at 12:48pm

#### **Roll Call:**

Laura Johnson, Susanna LaRock, Tommy Gossard, Virginia Morgan, Jessica Larsen, Doug Hayman, Kathy Recken, Heather Harrison

#### **Approval of Agenda:**

The agenda was approved as written.

#### **Review and Approval of Minutes:**

In reviewing the last meeting's minutes, it was noted that **AI:** Susanna will still get an order form to parents for yearbooks.

The minutes were approved as written.

#### **Addition of New Members:**

No potential members were present.

#### **Principal's Report:**

Mr. Hayman had conducted voting for the yearbook covers prior to the commencement of the meeting and front and back cover art were chosen. He pointed out that all content is due by May 1 in order to make printing deadlines, so any school happenings after that will not appear in the yearbook.

#### **Teacher's Report:**

The science fair is being moved to April 29 due to Hope's scheduling needs. It will be held at Hope School.

May 3<sup>rd</sup> is Scrap Art field trip to PAC. All tickets are ordered. **AI:** Permission slips still needed.

May 4<sup>th</sup> is early release. (Piano lessons will be moved to another day.)

May 6<sup>th</sup> Ken Acton will be here for water safety education with the students.

May 11<sup>th</sup> is Kindergarten orientation.

May 16<sup>th</sup> is author's tea and kindergarten graduation. Starts at 1pm. If Alec can't do the kindergartener video, then Jessica will do it. Laura volunteered to show Jessica the program to do it if needed. **AI:** Susanna will call Alec. (Alec later did accept the assignment.)

May 18<sup>th</sup> is picnic at Moose Pass. We bring side dishes. They will have hot dogs, hamburgers and water.

Still researching artist-in-residence program, trying to have Gyda do screenprinting with the students and help with Equinox Run T-shirts. Waiting to hear from person in charge of the grant if this will be possible.

Mr. Gossard's interview on Education Talk Radio with Larry Jacobs as host happened today, April 13<sup>th</sup>. It was very successful. He now wants Doug and the kids to talk to him on the radio too, and do another episode.

Here is the link to the radio show:

<http://www.blogtalkradio.com/edutalk/2016/04/13/a-k-12-school-in-alaska-with-one-teacher-literally-the-one-and-only-tom-gossard>

### **Treasurer's Report:**

The balance of the PAC account is \$6900.57.

\$240 payment made for two new ski students, \$123.80 was paid out for some garden stuff. Anticipating more garden expenditures after the revenue sharing money is used up.

Small discussion about our PAC fund getting "too" big – what should we do with a high balance? Kathy recommended we shouldn't spend it down completely, because the budgets will be tight and we should make sure we have some funds to help in those areas as needed. We may have some future philosophical considerations, but overall we should recognize that parents put time into PAC fundraisers in order to provide exceptional experiences and activities to the students, not just for supplies.

### **Gardening Committee Report:**

Due to the success with growing starts, we have to relocate a number of plants because of a lack of room and light. We can heat a greenhouse to move some of the big vegetable plants out, but the estimated expense is \$100/10 days of heat. But Carrie Williams said that she is willing to donate some greenhouse space, since hers is already heated. **AI:** Heather will call Carrie, Laura will transport starts to Carrie's.

We have to get more containers to replant. Probably 700 of them. Throughout next week there will be lots of replanting going on, volunteers are needed to help.

The committee is taking good notes, trying to get everything under control. Will plant half as many next year. But the numbers are really nice right now for potential income, especially if Carrie donates heat.

No preordering will be allowed, starts will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. We need to put sandwich boards out on weekends for a couple weekends prior. The community needs to know what starts we are growing so that they don't otherwise purchase plants. We need to get word to Hope and Moose Pass, etc. We will hang a banner on the school sign for a couple weeks prior to the sale. **AI:** Laura will make a banner, Susanna will laminate it, Laura will make sandwich boards, Susanna will do Crier messages to advertise the starts and will also pass info to someone in Moose Pass to spread around.

Really humid in the portable, need fans in there to keep mildew down. Can drop temperature to 60 to slow them down. **AI:** Laura will borrow box fans from JJ construction.

Noted that we will need extra volunteers on May 13th to make the sale happen.

### **Snail-A-Thon, May 21:**

Kathy expressed concern about the construction, but Heather verified they are not working on weekends so it won't be a problem. Heather is actually hoping we can coordinate with the workers who are staying at Waikiki to use their outhouse, etc.

Virginia has contacted the local businesses for donations of food and other items, everything is coming together.

**AI:** Heather and Carrie are taking care of setting up the site, outhouses, etc.

**AI:** Susanna will set up mile markers.

**AI:** LA wanted to help and we assigned her to shuttle food. Cheryle will also help shuttle food.

### **Equinox Run, September 17:**

T-shirts from Katie and Gyda are quoted about twice the amount as last year's shirts, thus we are trying to get the artist-in-residence program grant to help with that option. Will have to use Custom Ink for T-shirts if the artist-in-residence grant isn't approved. But Katie & Gyda only charge \$100 for a design, so for sure we will use them for the design, regardless of where the screenprinting happens. (Their businesses are named Goldbug and Frozen Tree.)

The ad is in runner's magazine.

Prizes don't seem to be a big draw for runs in general, so getting prizes and having a final ceremony is not a priority. But we discussed that having food is a huge draw. Susanna tried to get the Chamber involved, but they were not interested, so we would have to go directly to restaurants. Heather offered to work on food options, maybe Equinox Run specials or coupons at certain venues. But Laura pointed out that the runners are in town anyway, and they are going to eat anyway, so why make more work for us to get an official eating venue? We brought the idea to the Chamber and they didn't take it, so we did our part. This was an accepted opinion, and it was informally decided to not worry about official restaurant participation.

It was also decided that PAC parents who help with the run should also get to participate in the run without a fee.

### **Next Meeting:**

Wednesday, May 11th, 12:30 pm at the school.

Adjournment at 1:39pm.