



## Cooper Landing School Parent Advisory Committee

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### Minutes of the PAC Meeting held on January 26, 2023, 5:30 PM via Zoom

**Roll Call:** Tommy Gossard, Rachel Sullivan, Virginia Morgan, Cindy McKibben

**Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was approved as written.

**Review and Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the last meeting (November 3, 2022) were approved as written.

**Principal's Report:** Cindy said she was excited to be able to make it to the PAC meeting tonight, and she is looking forward to seeing everyone soon. A couple of items she discussed are as follows:

- As the darkness of winter is upon us, we find that some kids are arriving to school later than normal. Let's face it, no one likes getting out of bed in January! However, this impacts the classroom in many ways. Teachers plan for every minute that students are present, and it is challenging when students arrive late. Directions need to be repeated each time a student enters the classroom, and the lost instructional minutes add up over time. Please try to have students to school before 9:00 and wait to pick them up until the end of the day at 3:15. Also, if your kiddo is going to be out for the day, please call Donna to let her know. She is required to enter an absence code into PowerSchool and this will help her tremendously. Thank you!
- Each year Title I funds are allocated to neighborhood schools based on economic need, which is determined through free and reduced lunch enrollments. In schools without lunch programs, need is determined through the E-Rate surveys that families complete in the beginning of the school year. For the first time in many years, Cooper Landing will become a Title I school during the 2023-2024 school year. This means that the school will be allocated federal funds to assist in achieving the high priority needs of the school development plan. As with most federal funds, there are restrictions and documentation requirements. As a school community, we will be required to have additional meetings to discuss school achievement and family engagement activities. The funds that Cooper Landing will receive will not be much due to the school's enrollment, but we welcome the opportunities these funds may bring.

**Teacher's Report:**

- Alyeska Ski Lessons – The total cost for all the students is \$4,070.
- Spring Field Trip Suggestions - <https://www.akcoastalstudies.org/guided-tours/peterson-bay-field-station.html> A 2-night excursion costs \$175 per person plus food.
- Spring Break Dates - March 13-17 preceded by an early release on March 9 and a teacher in-service on March 10
- Testing Dates – March 27 – April 21

**Treasurer's Report:** The PAC fund has a balance of \$6,266.81 after paying for skiing.

**New Business:** None

**Unfinished Business:** None

**Next Meeting Date:** May 4, 2023

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 5:22 pm.