

# Cedar Point Advisory Council

Thursday, May 15, 2025 – 7 p.m.

- Attendance: Aerica Williams, Grace Riley, Erin Stroh, Kristin Matthews, Jennifer Roach, Lori Betz, Kelly Machovec, Lauren Luna, Ashley Plitt, Lindsey Garber, Laura Rutledge, Ashley Lamper, Sarah Sullivan, Nicole Martin
- Welcome (Mrs. Williams)
  - This is our final meeting of the year!
- Approval of meeting minutes – April 9, 2025 (Mrs. Riley)
  - Heard SACI reports, bi-laws approval (change - terms of service to 2 years or child aging out), update on Parent Handbook, Budget Update, PTO Update, Purple Star award, Community Engagement Events.
  - Approved
- SACI report (Mrs. Betz)
  - Voted for new council for next year. Focus will include:
    - Curriculum: communication with parents; info on test performance in a better manner, including instructional steps. Training and support for teacher with new curriculum.
    - Mental Health: concern for bx and impact on other students.
    - Family Engagement: comms with information on accessible platforms. Possible create a portal-type login on PWCS, “Parent University” bc communication is sporadic. This would be a one-stop shop for parents.
    - Teacher-focus: classroom management; rotating or regular planning period (not missing class). Clarification on continued impact on federal funding changes. Unbalanced enrollment in schools - impact? Better understanding of family life curriculum, impact of tech on instruction, support for special groups of students; clarification on gifted curriculum.
- Officer Update for 2025-26 (Mrs. Riley)
  - Secretary: Thank you so much to Kristin Matthews for her dedication to our school and to building our CPAC this year. Mrs. Matthews is moving this summer, so this position will be open for next year. Please contact Mrs. Riley if you are interested in the role of Secretary.
    - Job role includes participating in all meetings and taking notes.
- Update on Parent Handbook, Student Contract for SY 25-26 (Mrs. Roach)

- Two cover options to discuss:

(cover option 1)  
CEDAR POINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENT HANDBOOK  
2025-2026



Our school mission states that we are: "Champion Cheetahs Teaming Towards Excellence." We believe that when teachers, staff, parents and students all work together as a team, our children will have a more productive and successful year and learn to their fullest potential. Thank you in advance for your assistance and support and for entrusting your children to us. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us.

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## Cedar Point Elementary School



### Parent Handbook 2025-2026

At Cedar Point we are PAWSS-itive students!

**P**repared

**A**ttentive

**W**ork Hard

**S**how Kindness

**S**afe

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- PAWSS acronym possibility or classic cheetah Champion Pyramid
    - Positive, Attentive, Work Hard, Show Kindness, Safe
      - Consensus was that the acronym was more user friendly across the board for all students.
      - Discussion about the Pyramid and "Champion Cheetah" logo - neither are going away.
  - Student Contract includes PAWSS acronym; parent version is a little more detailed.
  - Handbook based off of PWC Code of Behavior behavior regulations and policies. The Code of Behavior is being updated this summer, so our handbook will reflect these updates.
- PTO Update (Mrs. Luna, PTO President)
  - Lauren Luna, Stephanie Buffington, Erin Sagaser are stepping down. Need to recruit other officers to ensure the board has 4 members, which is necessary according to bylaws.
  - Teacher Appreciation Week was a travel theme and PTO would appreciate any feedback from staff, especially on free items, to help with plans for next year.
  - Funds to Kindergarten's Donuts with Grown-Ups happened!
  - PTO is helping with Kona Ice Truck after 5th grade commencement ceremony.

- Budget is still in the black.
- Some SEP's will change for next year. Lots of positive response from new ones this year, esp Broadway Club with Mrs. Baldwin. Any other teachers want to lead SEPs should contact the PTO.
- Principal's Time
  - Completed regular SOL testing today. Pivoting to remediation and SOL retakes. Excited about this opportunity to work with students.
  - New playground installation is underway! Everything looks nice and we're excited about this process! 4 weeks to completion, and we are on week 2.
  - Thank you to the PTO and families for Teacher Appreciation Week. Staff was happy and pleased and grateful for the overwhelming support; the thought and effort that was made is appreciated!
  - Master schedule for next year; we meet all requirements and we're happy to report that every grade level will have a dedicated "core extension time" for extension for learning activities and remediation. More info at Back to School Night.
  - Field Day is May 23, led by Mr. R. He is ready to go!
  - Career Day June 5.
  - Last day of school is an early release day; 11:50 a.m. on June 12.
- Representatives' Time / Open Agenda, New Business
  - Mrs. Riley will send out a Spring CPAC survey to school community about community engagement opportunities and will share results with this board in new year. These results will drive family and community engagement for 2025-26 and help us design community engagement opportunities that align with the wants and needs of our changing community.
  - We will be in touch soon with details for next year's CPAC!
- Closing (Mrs. Williams)
  - Thank you to Mrs. Luna, outgoing PTO President; Mrs. Roach for hard work on Handbook; to Mrs. Matthews as outgoing Secretary; to Mrs. Riley as head of this committee.