

Faith Christian School
PTF Meeting
October 11, 2011

Attendees: Kimmie Lewis, Sara Brabham, Mellisa Spivey, Micky Garus, Kara Mohler, Rebecca Moore, Susan Metzler, Vernon Kennedy, Stephanie Earhart, Johnny & Christie Ocheske, Janna Thorsen, Kristy Rosenthal, Jacque Allen, Eric Archer, Suan Wood, Sarah Ramirez, Tina Palmer, Roberta Wilson, Cheri Shones, Aimee Finell, Valerie Duncan, Kristin Huber, Jennifer Hannan & Cathy Aime.

Mellisa Spivey opened the meeting in prayer and then we went around the room for introductions. We are so thrilled to have many new family members attending and we certainly extend a warm welcome to you!

Mellisa recapped our voting procedures, which are new this year. It has been clarified that all PTF attendees can and should discuss any issues, however, only board members can vote. Also, the PTF Bylaws, which are basically guidelines, are being written and will be presented to the School Board for ratification.

Phone Tree Update; Stephanie Earhart

Instead of by class, we are changing to doing this by name instead. We believe this will simplify the process and callers will generally only need to make approximately 10-12 calls. Please remember that if you are unable to make your assigned calls, to find someone to do them for you.

Treasurer Report; Sara Brabham

Sara went over the different line items we have so far for this school year, including the beginning balance and current amount spent in each. If you would like to see a copy of the budget, please contact Juli in the school office.

Eagles Nest – school store; Stephanie Earhart

We are ready to place our spirit wear order. We started our ‘pizza by the slice’ lunch last week which went well. Hoping to start the Domino’s pizza hot lunch on Friday’s soon (see last months PTF minutes for more on this). Discussed having a pizza punch-card available for purchase, so that the students don’t have to carry cash. A sno-cone machine was recently donated to the school, so will soon be selling sno-cones at the store. Also, FCS water bottles are in and for sale -\$5 each.

Etsy Store - FCEaglesNEST; Kristin Huber

The planned launch date is November 1, 2011. We still need items donated, so if you or someone you know is crafty and makes homemade goods, please suggest this great fundraising idea to them. We plan to really promote this for Christmas gift giving.

Upcoming Events:

Jog-a-Thon; Stephanie Earhart

****Coming up SOON – Friday, October 21, 2011****

Christie Ocheske is the Volunteer Coordinator, and we still need lots of volunteers to make this event a success! Christie has placed a sign-up sheet near the school office for you to sign up in an area you would like to help in, and you will also be receiving a phone call from the phone tree caller. The t-shirts will be in soon and handed out the evening of the event, along with tally sheets to keep track of laps run by your student.

Veteran's Day Lunch – Friday November 4, 2011; Erica Archer

This is our day each year that we take time to honor veterans – we invite them to come and bring displays or anything they want to share with the students. Erica is coordinating the lunch and everything to do with bringing it together. Peggy Ortman is helping with decorations, but Erica needs help both the day of and the day before with food prep. If you can help in any way, please contact her.

Fundraising:

New computers; Mellisa Spivey

We are looking into the cost of purchasing 3 new computers for the computer lab, using jog-a-thon funds. Will discuss in more detail at next PTF meeting.

Yearbook update; Janna Thorsen – Jostens Representative

Janna gave an overview of the yearbooks available. Janna will be sending home a survey shortly, so please return it quickly so we can assess the family interest.

Auction Seminar- Wednesday, October 26, 2011, 9 AM – 5 PM

NW Benefit Auctions is the company we have worked with for the past couple of years to help us maximize our resources and make the most we possibly can from our auction. We are hosting this seminar at FCS for NW Benefit Auctions, and are given 10 spaces at no cost. We want to fill them with folks who are truly interested in being an integral part of our annual auction. We still have a couple spots left, so please let Mellisa know if you are interested in attending.

Other Business:

Childcare; Mellisa Spivey

Discussed issue of whether there should be childcare provided or offered for a small price, such as \$1 per child, at PTF meetings. Many agreed it would be very helpful. Also discussed separating the older kids from those 4 and under. Mellisa will check with Faith Free's Youth Pastor, Scott Lamb, to see whether there are youth who might be able to fill this need. May also consider an adult or even a parent who would donate their time, which would count toward their volunteer hours.

Pastry fundraiser – briefly discussed and decided against this, mainly because we don't want families to feel that we are constantly asking for more money.

Box Tops; Sarah Ramirez

We raised \$165 from box tops in September! This is like 'free money' to the school as most of us buy the items with box tops on them anyway. Thank you for turning these in!

Also, please remember your Campbell's soup labels, and all the other ways to support your school online.

E-scrip; Remember to update your registration each year and to make sure you have Faith Christian School listed as the designated school.

Our next PTF meeting is Tuesday, November 8th at 6:30 PM. We hope to see you all there!

Blessings,

Cathy Aime
PTF Secretary