

GREENLEAF FRIENDS ACADEMY
Parent Teacher Fellowship
Minutes of Meeting held December 1, 2008

In Attendance

PTF Leads

Jeanie Hetrick
Monette Glenn
Jeanne Maloney

Parents

JoAnn Behrends
Teri Hungate

The meeting opened with prayer led by Jeanie Hetrick

I. Jeanie Hetrick attended the November 17, 2008 Board meeting and provided the following summary:

- Amanda Peterson lead the meeting with a devotion
- Love and Logic virtue for December is "Forgiveness"
- A financial update was provided and the school is not meeting its budget this year. Plans to cut costs are with Insurance expense as well as gasoline. In addition, the Auction was approximately \$20,000 less than what was budgeted.
- Centennial Campaign total is at \$873,433.00 of which the Current Endowment fund is at \$636,000. Donations are still being sought.
- A Grandparent of current students has identified some needed building improvements and is working on finding resources that can donate supplies or fund the costs of the supplies and work. It was suggested to try and co-ordinate with the PTF Volunteer Family Work Days.
- Mr. Sheldon under the superintendent report noted that concerns by both parents and teachers had been voiced about our current Jr. High Math Curriculum. The Board decided to have the Academic Affairs Committee review the current curriculum and look at possible replacements. An offer from a parent to fund the cost of a new curriculum has been received.
- Enrollment has increased with one new student. There were three students suspended for policy violation.
- The Centennial Birthday party was a huge success and well attended.

2. JoAnn Behrends, Auction Chair, spoke about this year's auction and said that participation was good, but the spending was much lower. The school will need a big spring event and is planning for a "Spring Garden Show" in April. It will begin on a Friday evening with a roasted pig dinner. Saturday events may include instructions on canning and gardening. At this time, the suggested date is April 18th. We will work with the University of Idaho's Canyon County Extension office and their Educators on these topics. This event will require a lot of support – if you can help in some way, please contact JoAnn Behrends.

3. PTF Updates:

- Question about the status of uniforms was brought up and will uniforms be planned for the middle school and high school students in 2009-2010. It was suggested that a survey of elementary school parents be conducted to learn more of their reaction to the current uniform policy. Jeanie will inform Superintendent/ Board of this discussion.
- Discussion re: an ASB link to be added to the GFA webpage- will f/u with Mr. Hudgens and Mr. Sheldon.
- A parent questioned the sports photos on GFA's website and whether the photos are being approved before being added to the website. Jeanie Hetrick will discuss with Mr. Sheldon.

Upcoming PTF Events

- Next PTF meeting will be held on Monday, **January 5th, 2009** at 7:00 PM in the school cafeteria.
- Next Family Workday will be held on **Saturday, December 13th** from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Some of the jobs will include: painting lobby entrance near cafeteria; wallpapering; complete spray painting of lockers, dusting and cleaning, etc. Remember the family workday is a great way to work off your service hours as parents and also for Senior Class students.