

The Friends of Cutler Meeting

May 2, 2014

Review of Board Openings & Other Updates – Carol Carlson

- See attachment of board openings
- Need Fund Drive Coordinators, Game Night, adult social, family night, Cutler apparel, and cultural enrichment volunteers.
- After this coming year, can the school directory transition to one of the other elementary schools?
- Meeting times were discussed...planning on bringing back 2 night meetings next year. Also changing meetings to 2nd Friday of the month. Evening meetings would take place in October and January (2nd Tuesday of the month for evening meetings)
- Discussed creating survey to determine the best way to communicate FOC info.
- Planning a curriculum feature at every meeting
- Parents night out in September 2014 – tbd.
- Ski Swap 2014 dates: November 1 and 2. Drop off will take place the week before due to parent teach conferences and Halloween.
- Spring fling raised \$5500 (budget was \$3500)
- Need to brainstorm ideas for next school improvement project and reach out to Mary Adamik and Carey Green about phase 2 of back playground
- Need to finalize 2014-2015 calendar

Newsletter for next year – Kathleen O'Connor

- Kathleen created a sample newsletter that will go out in backpacks next year (monthly). Will include information from meeting minutes and a meet the teacher feature.

Teacher Appreciation Week – Carol Carlson

- Went over week long program including flowers, replenishing teacher lounge basics, lunch brought in, thoughts and kind notes left on table, breakfast, and door decoration. Next year will be planned by hospitality committee and room parents.

Family Night – May 30 – Kristen Fusco

- Amusement Vendor booked: currently same rides as last year, Moon Bounce, inflatable obstacle course, Tubs of Fun

- Adding field day activity – 3 legged race, potato sack race, spoon and egg race
- Discontinuing chicken drop – instead adding raffle of book baskets. We're asking parents to donate summer reading books (list provided by Mary Lee) and we'll create a basket for each grade to be raffled off. Goal is 24 books per grade.
- As part of the book baskets, depending on donations, we're planning on a bonus basket that includes a kindle and amazon cards
- Charlie Clapp will be creating balloon animals after String Jam concert

Last Meeting: Wednesday, June 4 after all school meeting