

DeRenne Avenue PTF March Meeting Minutes

March 5, 2015

In attendance: Lindsey Van Puffelen, Elizabeth Witherington, Elizabeth DeWitt, Malena Stone, Natalie Ferland, Jan Wade, Laura Campbell, Kris Tindol, and Katie Kelley.

1. Elizabeth DeWitt opened in prayer.
2. PTF Prayer Warriors met in the computer lab from 8:00 - 8:15. The main focus of the group next year will be to pray for the search for the Headmaster as well as to continue to cover our teachers in prayer.
3. **Old Business:**
 - a. Meeting with Bill Daniel 2/19. Board will announce date for one campus consolidation in December 2015.
 - b. Teacher appreciation week was AMAZING! Thanks so much to Malena Stone and Laura Campbell. Follow-up letter to be sent to parents letting them know what all was done for our sweet teachers.
 - c. Georgia Day went absolutely perfectly! Thanks to Kris Tindol and all the volunteers who made this day possible. Our children learned so much about our state while having a fun filled day!
 - d. Thank you so much to Jennifer Haddad! She counted 4,548 box tops which brings in a whopping \$454.80 for our PTF! This brings the total for the year to over \$1,300.00!
 - e. Elizabeth Witherington will send an email reminder to Molly about the snack basket for our teachers. March – 1st grade, April – Kindergarten, May – Pre-K.
4. **New Business:**
 - a. Aileen Clarkson, owner of Mathnasium, shared with the group some information on math competitions which her company hosts, as well as summer camp and other class information offered. She matched a donation from the Mathnasium corporate office, bringing with her a check for \$40 thanks to the participation of one of our DeRenne students. She also donated a basket for the Silent Auction, which Elizabeth DeWitt offered to pick up.
 - b. Special tour of Chatham Parkway campus being offered to DeRenne Families Wednesday, March 25th at 10:00. Kris Tindol is organizing. Mrs. Van Puffelen will send Kris the attendees at the meeting with Bill Daniel so as to include those families. Malena Stone posed the idea to have “library time,” where students from DeRenne could acclimate themselves to the CP campus via the library.
 - c. Treasurer Kris Tindol provided a written report. The current balance is \$4,735.58. There were two pizza days in February bringing in \$440. \$1,063 was spent on 4 Chrome Books for 3rd-5th graders.
 - d. Your Pie Night is set for Monday, April 13th from 5-8 pm. 13% of the sales for the event will go to the Sunshine Fund for teachers and staff. The communication of this event will go out to both Lower School campuses.
 - e. At the April meeting, we will discuss establishing Mentor Families for new families joining our campus in the Fall of 2015.

- f. Super Saturday – It was decided to add baskets to the CP PTF Silent Auction. An email and letter went out asking for the following items to create baskets with: Gift card, cash donation, legos (boy or girl), Disney Princess items, or Hot Wheels. Natalie Brown volunteered is coordinating basket making. We will need volunteers at the silent auction. Send basket reminder right after Spring Break. Also letter for tax deduction.
- g. Leadership roles for next year:
We are so thankful that some roles will remain the same.
Katie Kelley - ice cream (1st and 3rd Friday/month)
Jennifer Haddad - Box tops/Publix Cards
Sarah Buck -Prayer Warriors, Class Photos
Elizabeth DeWitt -Book fair (3 day book fair in the fall)
Kris Tindol - Georgia Day and Treasurer
Grandparents Day – Jan Wade

We will most likely need volunteers for the following areas: (a volunteer letter will be sent out to all parents in April)

- Secretary
- Hospitality Chair
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Christmas decorating after Thanksgiving Feast
- Pizza Day
- Room Mothers
- Math Superstars
- Thanksgiving Feast
- Used Uniforms

5. Talk from the Top:

- a. Lyme Challenge – in honor of Sarah Buck, the Lower School will participate in the Lyme Challenge. A letter will go out explaining about the challenge soon.
 - b. No seconds on dessert being offered by the cafeteria staff per parent requests
 - c. April 2nd - Easter parties!
 - d. April 13-17 Standardized Testing
 - e. Separate field day into three days (April 29th – May 1st). This would allow a whole day each for Pre-K and Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade, 3rd through 5th grade.
 - f. April 28th is the PTF Volunteer breakfast that the Administration hosts.
6. The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be Friday, April 10, 2015 at 8:15 am.