

Friends of Country Day

Meeting Minutes

June 6, 2011 6:30 pm.

Present: Ivette Ogden-President, Patrizia El Yousef-Vice President, Theresa Comparetto-Secretary, Dawn LeBlanc-Treasurer

Election:

- The Election was held on May 27th, 2011. As officially indicated in the voting for President and Secretary of Friends of Country, Ivette Ogden has been voted President of Friends of Country Day and Theresa Comparetto has been re-elected as Secretary of Friends of Country Day.

Open Positions:

- Pre-Primary-room representative, Cottage 1, 2 and 3 room representative, Communications, Special Events and Fundraising. Ivette has emailed Susy Cabral who currently is room rep for Cottage 2 and communications about staying on in those positions. Susy will give it some thought and let Ivette know.
- Communications position is doing weekly emails blasts with ongoing events of FOCD, setting up white board updates and the school marquee with updates.
- Special events position, this person would oversee every special event that FOCD held.
- Fundraising position, this person would oversee all fundraising for FOCD.

School Calendar and Directory:

- Ivette has talked with Raena in the school office and will be able to get the completed calendar for the school in July. The FOCD board will then be able to co-ordinate the FOCD events with the school calendar. These calendars will be on the school website for easy access to the parents.
- The School directory will be in book format as it has been in the past. There was discussion of putting the book online for online use by the registered parents only and eliminating the paper book. Ivette stated that this subject has been brought up before with a trial run to the parents with only possibly a 1/3 willing to put their personal information online due to security reasons.

Art Auction/Social and Golf Tournament:

- The main fundraisers for the upcoming 2011/2012 school year will be an Art Auction/Social and a proposed Golf Tournament. The Board will look at the school calendar in the July meeting to best determine the dates for these 2 fundraisers. It has been discussed to try and have the Art Auction/Social in the fall

at the end of October beginning of September and the Golf Tournament in the spring. In the event the board decides to have the Art Auction in the fall, the board will need to secure a location during the summer. Patrizia El Yousef has volunteered to look at a few locations for this event and report back to the board. Bruce Danielson had suggested the board contact Casey Minton (parent at the school) for help in organizing the Golf Tournament.

Back to School Picnic:

- The Back to School Picnic/Fair/Carnival will be held some time after school starts. The date will best be determined after the board receives the school calendar, possibly to be held at the end of September. The Back to School Picnic is a social put on by the FOCD to welcome back parents, new and old to the school. The FOCD board will also have their first annual meeting at this event. It has been discussed to have a set up as a fair/carnival with different games, face painting, bounce slides, basketball, barn tours, pony rides. The board will ask the middle school children to also be involved in running some of these booths as a possible fundraiser for their class trip.

Discussion:

- Kendra Neter will be a liaison between the FOCD board and the school.
- The FOCD would like to get more volunteers on the board. Ivette will talk to Francis Winstead about being the Special events chair.
- Bruce Danielson has stated that Jump Rope for Heart will continue as it has in the past.
- The money raised for the FOCD needs to be used as an entire group, not for specific events that are not attended or open to the entire school.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday July 20, 2011 at 6:30 pm