

Family Parent Partnership (FPP) Meeting

Carroll Lutheran School ~ Wednesday, September 14, 2016

President Nicole Sewell called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. There were 29 parents in attendance along with Mrs. Linda Billig and Mrs. Mandy Gilbert. The group was welcomed by Nicole and lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor Martha Clementson said the opening prayer. For those that didn't know her, Nicole introduced herself, as well as Karin Ross, Treasurer and Nancy Baker, Recording Secretary.

Nicole informed the group that the May minutes were not ready to be reviewed but she assured everyone they would be presented at the October meeting. Karin Ross reviewed the Treasurer's report from August 31, 2016 at which time FPP had a balance of \$19,474.52. Kendal Sewell made the motion to accept the Treasurer's report and it was seconded by Taryn Plendl. All members voted to approve and the report stands as read.

Nicole went over the FPP Budget for the 2016-2017 school years and explained some changes that had been made over the summer. Of special note is that this is the year the playground chips will need replaced, however the money is in the budget to pay for them and that Technology has been removed from the FPP budget as the Board of Trustees has taken that project over, giving the FPP more to spend on the children. Andrew Dean made the motion to accept the budget for the 2016-2017 school years as presented and Kendal Sewell seconded. All members voted to approve and accept the budget as presented.

Mrs. Billig reported that the Grandparents Day was a huge success today. 73 Grandparents attended the event and she was quite pleased. Also of note is the Eagle Scout project being done at the outdoor pavilion which will be dedicated to Mr. "Shorty" Grant for his dedication to the children of CLS. Mrs. Billig said tentatively the dedication would be held on October 12th at 2:30 so that all the school children could attend. FPP and the Board will split the cost of refreshments for the dedication. Mrs. Billig also explained the *Homework Pass* to be given out to parents who attend the FPP meetings. They will be valid for use on one assignment on the night of the meeting or the two following nights only, she asked that everyone see Mrs. Gilbert after the meeting for their pass.

Mrs. Gilbert thanked the FPP for the Bagels for breakfast on the first day of school as well as the wonderful Subway lunch on the first Friday of school. She said it made for a wonderful first week of school. She noted that the Chapel held on opening day was a huge success and very well attended. She said that the administration had met with the FPP officers over the summer and felt very excited about upcoming plans including *Dress Down Days*, the first one to be held on September 30th, 2016. Everyone was being asked to wear their favorite sports team shirt and rumor has it that Mrs. Billig will be wearing Eagles clothing!

Under Old Business it was noted that the Outside Flood lights are in place and you can see the CLS name now from Rt. 140, however trees do block some of the view. Discussion was held on the possibility of removing those trees; Pastor Clementson and Mrs. Billig said they will discuss that option with the Board. Mrs. Billig would also like to see the school's phone number and website added under the school name.

Nancy Baker informed the members that the school had an excessive amount of used uniforms even after selling 60 items, netting \$120.00, at Orientation. Many parents brought in bags of clothes that day and we now have more than we started with. The Executive Board is proposing taking a lot of the used uniforms to the consignment sale, FPP will still receive the money for them and Nancy is willing to tag those and any others that parents would like to bring in. It was agreed that a small supply of used uniforms would be kept in the school for "accidents". Nancy also explained to the members that the former administration purchase several uniform items and June Leppo was handling selling these things but with her other duties, can no longer do that. The new uniforms were out for sale at Orientation and \$253.25 worth was sold and the money forwarded to June, however there is still \$444.75 in new uniforms that the school would like FPP to purchase. After discussion, Taryn Plendl made the motion to purchase these new uniforms items from the school and Kristy Dennsteadt seconded the motion. A vote was held with 4 members voting against the purchase and 25 voting for it. The motion carried and the school will be given a check.

Nicole told the members that the FPP Executive Board approved the purchase of "One Call" for a total of \$362.50. Mrs. Billig explained that each family will be able to give numbers where they can be reached immediately by the calling system in the event of weather related closings, early dismissals or if there is a lock-down situation. More information will be coming home in the clear folders and she hopes to get this implemented very quickly as there will be test messages going out shortly.

Nancy Baker gave an overview of the Westminster Fall Fest Parade to be held on September 22, 2016, look for details to come home on a flyer in the clear folder. She showed the group a *Kid Stuff Coupon Book* which will come home with the oldest child on September 26th, 2016. The cost of the book is \$25.00 with the FPP getting \$12.50 for every book sold. *Fall Back to CLS*, will be held in the pavilion on Saturday, October 1st at 4pm. The FPP will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, condiments and drinks and everyone is asked to bring a side dish to share. There will be activities too, followed by a movie night in the gym. Watch for details to come home in the clear folder. She also told the members about Trunk or Treat to be held on October 27th, 2016 at 6pm in the parking lots. Members are asked to sign up to decorate their car and the FPP will be buying the candy. Nancy Baker will be working with Taryn Plendl to have treats suitable for our children with allergies.

Kristy Dean explained to the members about the Restaurant Fundraiser nights and noted the first one would be held on Monday, September 19th, 2016 from 6pm to 9pm at Panera Bread. They

will give the FPP 10% of the proceeds from the evening's sales. Rebecca Gray asked if advanced notice would be given on the Restaurant Fundraiser nights and Kristy said there would be. Kristy noted that the school would be participating in Operation Christmas Child again and details would be coming out soon.

Andrew Dean asked Mrs. Billig how many children were enrolled now and she said there were currently 73 and they were expecting another child next week. He also reminded everyone about the Board Golf Outing to be held on October 7th at Westminster National. The proceeds of this outing help fund the Scholarship Fund.

With no further business in front of FPP, Nicole reminded everyone of the next meeting on Wednesday, October 5th, 2016 at 6:30 and asked Pastor Anne Durboraw to lead the members in The Lord's Prayer. The meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy C. Baker, Secretary - FPP