

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN PTF BOARD MINUTES
May 15, 2008, Our Savior Mission Center

1. Prayer and Minutes: The board opened its meeting with a prayer. We approved the April 17, 2008 meeting minutes.

Present: Christine Jeffson, Elizabeth Goodwin, George Evensen, Melissa Lott, Laurel Tappe, Pammella Laszlo, B.J. Bentley.

2. PTF Board for 2008/2009 school year: Elizabeth thanked the current board members for all of their hard work this year, and said a few parents have stepped forward to fill the vacancies for next year. As of May 15, the 2008/2009 OSLS Parent-Teacher Fellowship board is as follows:

President: Lasar McCabe

Vice President: open

Secretary: Christine Jeffson

Treasurer: Tim Benesh

Fundraising Chair: Pammella Laszlo

Classroom Parent Representative (CPR) Chair: Claire Link

Hospitality Chair: open

Ombudsman: Laurel Tappe

B.J. Bentley said she was considering serving in one of the open positions, but wanted to give it more thought before committing.

3. Principal's Report: Mr. Evensen reported that he will be out-of-state to attend his son's college graduation beginning Wednesday, May 22, and will return the following week. In his absence, Paul Markillie will be acting principal.

4. CPR Report (Melissa): Melissa said that the only remaining business for the classroom parent representatives is to send out letters to the parents, asking for donations for end-of-year teacher's gifts. She said she would send a reminder email to the CPRs on the matter.

5. Old Business:

- A. Fall Fundraiser/Sally Foster Dates:** Pammella said that in addition to the standard Sally Foster catalog, they are considering selling Sally Foster ready-to-bake cookies, since it is no additional work and offers an alternative for those who don't want or need wrapping paper. Otherwise, little will change with the fundraiser in the upcoming school year, she said, except there will be fewer "incentive" contests to simplify the process. The "kick-off" for the fundraiser will tie in with the PTF's Back-to-School night.
- B. End-of-Year Staff Gifts (m/s/p):** Because some of the non-teaching staff expressed disappointment at not receiving gift cards at the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon, Lasar thought it would be appropriate to offer them gift cards as an end-of-year gift. Elizabeth motioned to purchase five \$15 Borders gift cards for the office staff and Mrs. Lemon, and Melissa seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The board will discuss who should receive gifts at the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon, and how/when others should be compensated, at a later date.
- C. New Family Sponsorship:** In an effort to make new families--and their students--feel welcome at OSLS, Laurel will contact them to offer support and answer any questions they have. In addition, she will be on hand at Registration Day to speak with incoming families, and may possibly work to set up new students with a "buddy" who will be in their class, when she is able to.
- D. Special Requests/Department Donations (m/s/p):** Elizabeth said Mrs. Ewe's special request purchase turned out to be \$21 more than expected because of shipping costs, so she motioned to approve giving her the additional \$21. Pammella seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The deadline for special requests and department donations has passed, and excepting Mr. Evensen's purchase of a new computer (approved previously), no more reimbursements will be given.

6. Sandbox/Playground proposals (m/s/p): Mr. Evensen said he has gotten proposals on removal and renovation of the sandbox area from two companies, and they ranged in price from \$18,000 to more than \$28,000. While some board members expressed concern over spending such a large sum of money on a project that may not benefit the entire student body, Mr. Evensen said the unsanitary conditions were brought up during the preschool certification process and he deemed it a worthy large-scale project. Laurel motioned to give \$10,000 to the removal and renovation of the sandbox area, and Elizabeth seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The school will come up with the remainder of the money to fund the project. The board will consider another large scale project to fund for next year, such as replacement of outdated computers.

7. Budget meeting in late June: The new board will meet to discuss the budget and get started with the 2008/2009 school year at Lasar's house in late June/early July. The specific date and time will be decided later.