

February, 2008 FUMCN Board Meeting
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submitted by Vicki Haviland, 3-9-08

Board Members Present: Cindy DeHart, Wendy Yallop, Laura Dills, Sue Pastula, Kristen Blackburn, Staci Almeida, Shelly Rettell, Bonnie Kerber, Shannon Morrin, Susan Sowder, Kirsten Sterken, Juli Miettinen, Lisa Ziegler, Mary Page, Robin Heschles, Vicki Haviland

January Minutes approved.

Teacher report: Ms. Juli

- We adopted the turkey vulture from Leslie Science Center thanks to a little persuasion from Ms. Juli!
- Our potty training policy is that children need to be working towards it and preferably wearing pull-ups to school. If it gets to be an ongoing problem, parents will be asked to come and change their child. We will continue to revisit this policy.
- We discussed having a new plan to discourage parents from arriving late. We will post a “Shh! Quiet!” sign on the A room door and shut the door once story time has begun. If kids are having a hard time being dropped off, parents should wait until another time (than circle time) to enter or to drop them off.
- Membership issues: do we want to consider age and gender in admissions? We will revisit it for the 2009-2010 school year. Considerations: legalities, potential change of school cut off from legislature, complexity for Membership folks.
- Mary is working out wonderfully!

Membership: Lisa Hirsch

- 5 people want to move from 3pm to 4 am for next year, so we will have a lottery for that.
- Open House is Friday, March 7 from 10-11:30. You can bring kids and have little ones in FUMKids. All Board Members should be there to talk about the school!

President Report: Cindy DeHart

- Brad has suggested that we set a number of financial aids we will give out each year. He suggests that we require a 1040 to verify need. The Executive Committee will set this limit.
- We can put the old chairs in the hall to sell for \$10 each. Kristen will take care of a sign and notify alums.

- When we get new pads for the climber, we will give the old ones to the Community Action Network.
- Our tuition will increase by 4% for next year to \$235/semester for 3s and \$352/semester for 4s.

Ellen Lewis: Church Liaison and HVCCN rep

In deciding how to do placement for FUM5s, we will compile pros and cons and take it to the Children and Family Ministries Board who will make a recommendation to our Board. Cindy will ask for feedback and advice from specific board members and will send that on.

Susan Sowder – FUM5s

Come to check out FUM5s before the Open House if you can so that you can talk about it at the FUMCN Open House. FUM5s will have an Open House then, too.

Kristen Blackburn – Fundraising

- Babysitting is coming up this Friday the 15th. We want to make at least \$250.
- Garment orders will be coming up soon and will have T shirts for sale at the Membership Meeting.

Shannon Morrin – Treasurer

A lot of 4s haven't paid 2nd semester tuition – may be because they haven't been in school since beginning of February!

Shelly Rettell – Social

- End of the year picnic will be at Lillie Park South on Saturday, June 7th from 3- 6 pm. It is less expensive and not weather-dependent.
- Social people are lined up to do food for the Open House.

Wendy Yallop – Vice President

Membership Meeting:

- We will have a greeting, the discussion of Co-op vs. Day care. WE will talk about board positions available for next year. We will have Member Recognition with “pick a prize.” Then Suggestion Box responses, review of assist procedures, small group discussion of what we love about FUMCN and what could make it better, and Ellen will discuss the Crisis Plan.
- We are working on childcare, so email Cindy if you need it.
- Board members need to bring snacks!

Curriculum – Lisa Ziegler and Mary Page

2-18: dental visit

2-21,22: beach days

Green spaghetti: March 17th and 18th

April 11th – Toledo Zoo

No school March 24

March 26th: 4s survival flight visit

We will have a new calendar at the Membership Meeting!

Maintenance: Staci Almeida and Kirsten Sterken

- Everyone is set to come to Maintenance night this Wednesday/
- We are having clean up/take down on the last day of FUMCN this year.

Member at Large – Laura Dills

- 4s conference sign ups are up and 3s need to be scheduled.
- Snow day procedures: Juli will call Cindy by 7 am, then Cindy will call class reps when school is cancelled to start the phone chain.

Parent Education: Robin Hescheles

Kindergarten Readiness night went well and lots of parents attended.

Supply and Equipment: Sue Pastula

- We cannot find a new texture table cover, so we are going to see if someone can make one!
- Mickey the gerbil died and Juli has told the kids. Sue will get rid of the cage for now, and we will revisit the pet issue next fall.