

# GATEWAY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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## **PTF Meeting Minutes September 12, 2006**

### **Welcome**

Heather Rogers welcomed everyone, recognizing those who are new to Gateway.

### **Devotion**

Lita Curtis spoke on “What Gateway Means to Me”. She shared that the joy of being at Gateway is working with the children to make an impact for the Lord. We were reminded that God gives exceedingly more than we can ask or imagine, that He is faithful and true, and at work in the lives of our children.

Lita opened the meeting with prayer.

### **Minutes Review and Approval**

Dale Doty moved that the minutes from the June 2006 meeting be accepted. Ken Cuddihy seconded the motion. All voted, and the motion was passed.

### **Administrator’s Report**

Mr. Stutzman thanked last year’s PTF Board for all of their hard work.

He reported the following:

- Enrollment is up 2% over last year (We have 174 students.)
- There are openings in the 3<sup>rd</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades (He encouraged everyone to let others know.)
- Volunteers are needed to help at recesses, do repairs, and move furniture to the 10-plex.
- The Middle School/High School retreat is September 21 – 22 at Camp Hammer.
- PTF will be focusing on fellowship rather than fundraising this year.
- PTF will be a line item on the school budget this year.
- The average cost to educate a student at Gateway is \$4,900. We need to work toward earning the “fifth dollar” this year.
- We have a balanced budget.
- The first fundraiser is the cookie dough sale. The goal is to sell 2,000 boxes.
- The Holly Days Boutique will be in November. There will be an auction in March, a See’s Candy sale (coordinator is needed), a golf tournament in April, and the Lion Roam-A-Thon in May. Ken Cuddihy volunteered to coordinate the Roam-A-Thon. April Cuddihy asked for clarification in the minutes that it is **KEN** Cuddihy who is volunteering. ☺
- WASC accreditation for Gateway is being pursued. ESLR’s were explained. Everyone’s input will be solicited.

## **PTF President's Announcements**

Heather Rogers made the following announcements:

- Alicia McCormick was introduced as the coordinator for the cookie dough sale. Alicia spoke and encouraged everyone to participate and reduce the need for several fundraisers.
- We need to reallocate \$30,000 from the PTF fund to the General Operating fund. An additional \$4,580.63 will stay in the Playground fund. Barbara Miller asked what would be the goal of fundraising. Heather said it would help with the general operations of the school; it would be raising the "fifth dollar". Heather asked for a motion. Marissa Sipes moved to reallocate \$30,000 from the PTF fund to the General Operating fund. Priscilla Hughes seconded the motion. All voted, and the motion was passed.
- Heather presented the PTF budget for approval. Cindy Edwards asked Heather to review the PTF budget items. Heather reviewed the items and handed out extra copies of the budget.
- Heather said that an effort will be made to bring back the Celebration Dinner. She gave an explanation for new families present. The dinner will be in May (tentatively).
- The Thanksgiving Dinner is tentative. An available date must be secured with Golden Hills Church.
- Heather asked for a motion to approve the PTF budget. Ken Cuddihy moved to approve the PTF budget. Lita Curtis seconded the motion. All voted, and the motion was passed.
- The Assembly Coordinator is Yvette Arntt.
- Leigh Renslow is Head Room Parent for 6 – 12<sup>th</sup> grades. Mr. Stutzman spoke and announced a meeting for all room parents the next week.

## **Open Floor**

- A parent asked for a history of the playground issue. Lita Curtis explained that the playground must be commercial grade and would cost approximately \$40,000. She explained that the goal is for K – 5<sup>th</sup> grades to be at the Lighthouse campus in the 10-plex.
- Mr. Stutzman explained that we are waiting for the city of Brentwood to move before we can continue.
- Cindy Edwards said it is important to wait for the city or additional costs can be incurred.
- April Cuddihy suggested investigating some temporary play equipment.
- A parent said she is looking into grants for a playground. She welcomed help.
- Heather announced that P.E. teacher Laura Dexter has P.E. clothes for sale after the meeting.
- A parent asked for a list of field trips. Lita Curtis explained that the teachers are working on the lists.
- Heather invited all to stay for refreshments and fellowship.

## **Closing Prayer**

\*Lita Curtis closed the meeting with prayer.