

FOSA Meeting – Wednesday, October 4, 2017 • 8:15 – 9:15am

We went around the table and everyone gave their name - approximately 15 parents + FOSA Board Members

Board members present: Avril, Tasha, Betsy

Olma discussed **Fall Ball 10/27**: we have a DJ, Sharkey's provide food for purchase and we get to keep 20%. Pre-sale tickets will be sold after school. We'll have a 50/50 raffle.

Olma reminded everyone **not to use Google Translate** and to have a Spanish speaker translate flyers.

Annual Giving: \$15,050 less PayPal fees, Fresh Schools fees, and not-yet-collected monthly contributions for an actual \$13,893.90. We need more donations. Room parents can help with getting their classes to participate. We decided to end the contest December 1st.

Reminder for Annual Giving should also ask parents to check if employers have matching gift programs.

Fresh Schools Update: We currently have more parents signed up on FS than we had on Vertical Response, our old email program.

Avril went over the Treasurer's Report. Financials available upon request. Contact Leanne at leanne@friendsofshortavenue.org

Discussion around Food Trucks. People have waited an hour for food, so we will add a third dinner truck (in addition to a dessert truck). We need to advertise this additional truck to our families so people know the long wait time is being addressed. Alan Schniderman offered to provide dessert and donate 20% of the proceeds to Short.

Tasha talked about **Box Tops**.

Alicia talked about the **Ralph's program** and about how money is trickling in with it. We agreed that we should continue with the program and Alicia will write a one-sheet to share.

Principal's Report: They need one more person to be on the SSC. Laura volunteered. Karen discussed International Day, STEAM Night

Silent Auction - Suzanne volunteered to be the chair. Box Tops - Tasha said she had some volunteers from the giving form

Book Donation: Avril brought up the idea of a **community service project** for the school. A few ideas were shared: book donations, beach cleanups, Big Sunday list of charities. We will have a separate conversation around community service projects.

LA Road runners: Avril & Tasha explained that we're renting the parking lot and selling concessions. Karen said that there are two employees being paid overtime to manage the parking lot (the Road Runners pay for it) and they will do some odd jobs around the school while they're on the clock.

Spirit Wear: Some of it's here, some is arriving next week.

Babysitters during FOSA meetings: next month we will pay \$20 to two sitters to watch kids during the meeting. We'll ask for donations to pay for the sitters.

A parent asked if we should create a 2-3 person committee to focus on Corporate Giving. Karen said she has a mosaic project she really wants for the school. It's \$25,000. Karen would love to get it started with just \$5,000.