

PTF

(Parent Teacher Fellowship)

Meeting 1/10/12 at 6:30pm

Introduction: (Speaker Norm Kester) Let's welcome Patti Hillier as the new Parliamentarian. Thank you for taking on this role. Still need a Treasurer, Vice President, and a Teacher-at-Large (a teacher who speaks on behalf of all teachers). Please keep in mind that no monies can be spent from the PTF until we have a Treasurer. If you feel that this position may be a fit for you but would like more information, you can find all job descriptions on the NHCS website under the PTF tab, or you can contact a PTF member at PTF@newhopechristian.net.

Currently, we have been working on our accounting (bank account) and getting a business license. The 501C, IRS non-profit organization form, has not been done yet and is currently not needed, but will be done in the near future. The PTF will be running as its own corporation. This will allow us to keep what we raise within the PTF, and that way there is no mixing of the funds with the school's.

Each month we will be focusing some time on a teacher to get to know them better, as we are trying to increase communication between our parents and our teachers. That way we can get a better understanding of our faculty. This month our teacher was Tiffany Petersen.

Teacher: (Speaker Tiffany Petersen) is also an alumna of New Hope as well as teacher of US History and of the tutoring center. Her favorite verse is John 3:30, "He must become greater, I must become less." You can read all about Tiffany in her bio which is on the NHCS website.

Auction Committee: (Speaker Bianca Albright) The Auction is our biggest fundraiser of the year. This year's theme is Western. Buckboard Grill will be making all the wonderful food. Our biggest items that are auctioned off are the class Auction baskets. We are still in need of an 8th grade parent to coordinate their basket. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Rachel Bumgardner. April 17th is when the baskets are due to the Auction Committee. As the Auction approaches, we will need volunteers to help out especially on the day of. We will have about 250 attendees. This month is our push to get donations for the live auction from within the community. One of the things we are trying to do is to make it better and better, so we would love to hear any suggestions that you may have. 45% of our school budget is covered by fundraisers and donations. Seeing those numbers made us really want to fine-tune the Auction. If we can get a lot of people behind us, that would be great! We don't want to tax the parents any more; they are already giving a lot of themselves. What we are asking is for our parents to get out in the community and letting them know who we are. What we would love to see is the kids donating their services (i.e., one student donated some of her art work; another had donated yard services.)

School Update: (Speaker Ernie Stone) We trust you will be encouraged to know about our enrollment pattern. Enrollment at the end of last year was 182. Enrollment this year on Sept 9 was 210. Enrollment this year on Nov 30 was 218 - an increase of 8 students. Enrollment today is 220 with a likelihood of 224 by Jan 20 - an increase of another 6 students. Praise God for His goodness.

Jog-a-thon: (Speaker Gina Yunker) Andrea Bennett and Ruby Melvin, Co-Chairs. They will form a committee and will outline all the details. If you would like to assist them in this fundraiser, please send an email to PTF@newhopechristian.net.

Scrip Program: (Speakers Sharon Garcia and Norm Kester) We have had a huge surge in the Scrip Program and are currently seeking another company to add to our program.

Phil46: (Speaker Norm Kester) SmartBoards have been purchased and will soon be in all the classrooms. We are trying to go through the PHIL46 list and marking it down. Right now since we don't have a PTF Treasurer, we cannot put money into the PTF. This will create a problem, so please, if you feel you can take on this position and would like to be a part of the PTF Board, contact PTF@newhopechristian.net.

Movie night: (Speaker Gina Yunker) Andrea Bennett and Ruby Melvin are the Co-Chairs of this event. We will be having two movie nights - one for elementary/families and the other for secondary.

Box Tops: (Speaker Toni Martin) Our last contest ended on January 6th. I have not finished getting all the totals yet. In the meantime, we are looking at the needs at the school and will move forward in making the appropriate purchases after we receive the totals from the Jan 6th contest. The needs will be discussed amongst the teachers and PTF Board and put out at the next PTF meeting.

Pastor Breakfast: (Speaker Gina Yunker and Ernie Stone) The date is set for March 1st. Personal invites will be mailed out to all pastors inviting them to enjoy a breakfast that our Culinary Arts students will be cooking. We will have various students helping out as well, whether its serving, singing, or creating a publications video. We will also be looking for volunteers for this event.

(Speaker Patti Hillier) Students have created letters for the youth pastors of the area requesting that they (youth pastors) take some time to spend with them as well because even though they (the students) are Christians, they need ministering to, too. The students will be personally inviting youth pastors to have lunch with them and spend some time with them on campus.

Thank you all for coming to the meeting tonight. It was a very informative meeting and great fellowship. If you would like to participate in any of the above events or have questions or comments, please feel free to contact the PTF Members at PTF@newhopechristian.net.

The next meeting will be held February 7th. Due to Basketball season, please understand that if there is a home game on the first Tuesday of the month, we will move the meeting to the following week. Notices will be sent out well in advance. There is no home game scheduled for February 7th at this time.