

The Little Friends Preschool Board met on April 20 at the church. The Board was updated on the account balance and enrollment. The Preschool has lost 2 students—1 due to unpaid tuition, and a second due to lack of transportation.

Michelle Faulstich gave the Teacher's Report with the following information:

- Walking field trips are planned to the fire station and possibly a dentist.
- The last day of school will be May 22. This includes make-up days for weather closings.
- The End of Year Celebration will be May 20 at 6:30. The Board agreed to provide juice and cookies for this event. Genie will provide juice. Approximately 50-60 people are expected to attend.

Old business consisted of an update on questions about the February Papa John's fundraiser whose total sales and donation seemed lower than they should have been. Barbie reached someone at the Papa John's office; they said they did not know of anything that had not been included, but they could ask the store manager to remind employees to make sure all fundraiser flyers are kept and submitted. The contact also noted that the offer is not supposed to be used with discounts; if this occurs by mistake it lowers proceeds.

In new business, the Board reviewed proceeds of the soup supper (\$276 so far) and agreed to donate the remaining soup to Heminger House. The Preschool financial status for the remainder of the year was discussed. At this point it looks like the Preschool will not have enough in its accounts to pay expenses through the end of the year. Barbie attended the Finance Committee meeting, and approval was given for the Board to send a letter to the congregation appealing for donations to help meet this last year's expenses. The Committee also stated that the church would pay any balance not raised through the letter. Barbie will write the letter. Genie has a draft of a similar letter used in the past. An announcement seeking donations could also be made if needed. The letter cannot be completed until there is a decision on Michelle's proposal to continue the Preschool as a private business rather than a church ministry. This proposal is still pending, but should be decided soon.

In additional new business, it was noted that Preschool property belongs to the church, so if the Preschool does not continue, it will be up to Trustees rather than the Preschool Board to determine what to do with these items. There was further discussion of ways to end this school year by celebrating what the Preschool has done. The Board would like to share the slide presentation that will be shown at the End of Year Celebration during a Sunday morning service, to show what occurred this year and thank the congregation for their support. This would need to be after May 20. It would be good to include information such as the number of children the Preschool has reached.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 18.