

North Bay Haven Charter Academy PTSP report

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The NBH PTSP board has been working on achieving 501c3 status by incorporating in Florida as a non-profit agency, creating bylaws, developing a mission statement, and a record keeping system. We are also in the process of developing a budget which has to be projected for the next three years. At this point we are also waiting for the IRS Cyber Assistant to come into effect to reduce the filing fee for 501c3 status from \$850 to \$200. That program is supposed to be implemented this year.

At this point we have approximately \$2000 in the bank. We received a donation of \$1000 from a family who wished to remain anonymous shortly after the August PTSP meeting. This donation was earmarked for playground equipment/swings. We have several items that we have offered to sell as fundraisers including travel coffee mugs, bows with logo, shoelaces, pencils and jewelry with NBH logo. We have almost completed the magazine sales fundraiser which will raise \$10,000 or so for NBH field trip fund. We have started several different restaurant nights, skate nights and similar recurring fundraisers. We are also selling tickets for the Jaycee's Haunted House as a fundraiser which will raise us \$2.50 to \$3.00 per ticket sold. Tonight is our BBQ, Books and Karaoke social/fundraiser to kick off book fair. The wrapping paper sales fundraiser will start this month and we are planning numerous other fundraisers over the school year such as cookie dough sales, a chili cook off, Spring book fair, and a Spring carnival.

Major purchases include 12 new swings (many with new coated chains) to replace the dilapidated swings that were already on the playground. There are plans to purchase balls, hula hoops and similar items in the very near future. We have also purchased 10 "Lifetime" picnic tables which arrived this week in time for the BBQ. These will also be used for high school students during lunch as well as for various other things. We have also been offered some of the older playground equipment from Oakland Terrace Park that needs refurbishing. We are in the process of

working out the details and logistics of that offered donation. Further, we have obtained through a donation two long oak boards to put in the lunchroom along with hooks on them for the afterschool students to hang their backpacks on so that they don't have to leave them on the lunchroom floor.

Finally, we are doing many things to show our teachers that we appreciate them. We have started organizing a group of room moms and are doing a monthly appreciation day for the teachers. Each month involves a different grade and involves students bringing in food for the teachers to be placed in their lunchroom area.

The board members have been extremely busy getting this new organization off the ground and helping to get our new school off to a good start.