Advancement Committee Notes

The Advancement Committee met once to discuss next steps in the marketing plan and to develop a budget for needed items, and Rachel met with the Finance Committee on 5/15 to present the budget request (which was approved).

Advancement Committee Meeting

April 18, 2025 10:00 a.m.

In attendance: Alyssa Schwartz, Meg Haley, Rachel Droogsma

Meeting Focus:

Create a plan to implement the next steps in the marketing plan, brainstorm possible fundraising ideas for the future

Topics Discussed:

Marketing, next steps:

- Order summer swag for community and Cornerstone families
 - Pollinator festival, Dragon Boat festival tabling, offer swag that fits the values of Cornerstone
 - i.e. seed packets, pencils, reusable bags, others
 - Yard signs and stickers for 80 Cornerstone families, plus more for future use
 - Great advertising, folks can donate toward cost if able
- Fall Fest outreach
 - o Parents needed to help plan, lead activities
 - Involve upper elementary students in planning at start of new school year
- Parent committee reps
 - o Create a packet over the summer with specific directions, dates, details
 - Fall launch

Fundraising ideas for future:

- Bookfair: Red Balloon and Scholastic options
- Merchandise store

Action Steps:

- Meg will develop a budget for yard signs, stickers, plus a couple of swag items in line with Cornerstone values/mission
- Meg will send the budget to the Advancement team, Rachel will share with Finance Committee at least ten days before their next meeting
- Rachel will look into Red Balloon, Scholastic book fair options
- Rachel will look into development of a merchandise store, similar to Friends School

• Rachel will meet with the Finance Committee on 5/15 to request funds for yard signs, stickers, and tabling swag

Meeting finished by 10:52 a.m. Respectfully submitted by Rachel Droogsma

Advancement at Finance Committee Meeting

May 15, 2025

Using the items and figures shared by Meg, Rachel presented a budget request to the Finance Committee (<u>slides available here</u>), which was approved.