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Hey guys and Susan,

We need to discuss where we stand...

First and foremost, we should look at the results of Game Night. For instance, can we get an itemized list of the stuff that was purchased? We seemed to have just about the right number of chips, but the salsa was a bit excessive (the cheese too, if I recall correctly). Maybe we can cut down on the queso ingredients a bit in the future, and hopefully we can use the left-over salsa next month.

I think the biggest issue with food, though, was the lack of drinks. Unfortunately, the 4 liters that Wes provided disappeared very quickly, and we were soon completely drinkless. A few people asked me if there were drinks and seemed fairly disappointed when I replied in the negative. I just don't think that should ever happen. If we can't get drinks from OU, either because we missed the deadline or we don't meet some criterion, we really should provide something. I don't think it would be that big of a deal to spend the extra \$2.50 to buy four 2-liter bottles of the cheap Wal-Mart stuff. Even if we do get Coke products from OU, we may want to supplement it with some sort of non-carbonated stuff like lemonade. Either way, we definitely need to supply drinks at our next function.

While we're on the subject, what are the actual requirements for acquiring Coke products from OU? This subject has come up a couple times and the answer has always been vague. What, exactly, do we need to do to get Coke products in the future and how long before the event do we need to do it? If nobody knows, who do we need to contact to get that information?

It would be nice to see where we stand on the budget. After Game Night, what funds do we have available? What do we want to do to supplement those funds?

I've been collecting email addresses and adding them to our member list - an updated file is attached. I've also been tallying the number of people at each event. Based on the sign-in sheets, we had 22 people at the fall picnic and 17 at Game Night. I know that both of these numbers are much lower than the actual number of attendees, so we need to stress that people sign-in at our events. Ernie, I know you mentioned that we need a count of how many people attend our events when we ask OU for money. Do you know how important that is in their deliberations and how detailed these lists need to be?

And, what's going on with T-Shirts? Are we ready to order our first batch of shirts, or is there something else that needs to be done before we can go to the printers? If everything is set, can we order those shirts in the next few days? What do we need to do to make that happen?

What will it actually cost SPS to order the shirts? Have we collected enough orders to off-set the cost of production? If not, how much do we stand to lose?

Has Chris Crowe's name been put on the SPS account yet? If not, what do we actually need to do?

We also need to get the ball rolling on Research Nights and GRE/Graduate school talks. Ernie, have you talked with Dr. Murphy yet? If so, what's the next step? If not, we need to know so somebody else can do it. I know that we said you should contact her because your position makes you our liaison to the faculty, but if you can't do it for whatever reason, we need to know.

Do we need to have another meeting reasonably soon to discuss Research Nights and GRE/Grad school talks? I'd say that such a meeting before we get information from Dr. Murphy is premature, but we need to start planning this stuff immediately. Thoughts?

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