

RE: Discuss Culture & Education Consortium (CEC) and FFF Collaboration

The term, **Culture & Education Consortium (CEC)**, is simply a working title to identify **Dawn Peters, Stacy Geier, Danielle Marolf, Erika Picard**, and possibly **Stephanie Meyers**. It is not meant to be permanent, or to suggest that a formal organization is predetermined.

The basic purpose of this meeting is to see if there's enough common interest between us to identifying common interests/projects that we might work together on.

BACKGROUND

Dawn, Stacy, Danielle, Erika, and Nick, have been in discussions about working together with FFF for the purpose of influencing Pinellas County regarding education and related cultural issues and political developments that affect our community.

Anthony, Nick, and Brent met subsequently and agreed that we all (**FFF & CEC**) have been brought together and should continue working together towards these goals, and that the form of the nature working relationship (consortium, task force, etc.) remain fluid and based in our mutual friendships and missions, until such time when organizational structure(s) becomes necessary and apparent.

COMMON THOUGHTS WE SEEM TO ALL SHARE

1. God united **FFF & CEC** for a working purpose beyond the school board races. The disappointment of the school board losses didn't kill the vision, and when the initial discouragement cleared the vision and zeal to continue was still present.
2. **Stacy, Danielle & Erika** are feeling that perhaps God's Hand is moving to use them as a group (consulting, activism, etc.) to inform and influence churches, organizations, governmental and community groups, without the restrictions of School Brd membership.
3. The resources of contacts, mailing lists, political, and influential connections from the campaigns can be consolidated and harvested for this purpose
4. **CEC** is Community Focused, extending beyond education and encompassing social issues, and their political applications. The thought is to not bind us all into one tight narrow focus, but rather to form a working group to support the expertise of the individual members, thus keeping organization flexible and fluid so as to respond to the ebb and flow of culture issues.

5. **FFF** is Ministry Focused, developing fellowship with local pastors for the purpose of assisting them to motivate their congregations to effectively engage in current cultural issues.

 6. While **FFF** concentrates on influencing pastors and **CEC** concentrates on influencing the broader social spectrum, both share the same faith, social concerns, and cultural objectives, in an integrated working relationship based in our mutual vision, friendships, and working history. The thought is to initially pursue this interlocking vision on a relational level to see how it develops rather than consolidating **FFF & CEC** into one group.
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Questions for discussion

- What led to the loss of Stacy, Danielle, and Erika's races?

- Suggestions for next election?

- Are Dawn & Stephanie running to keep their seats?

- How do you see CEC & FFF working together?

- What are suggestions for mutual projects we might collaborate on?

- EXAMPLE: Danielle suggested that we might develop compelling podcast that tackles the broad spectrum of relevant issues (Christian & secular) that we share together, have a diverse slate of interview guests, and present excellent analysis and commentary. And push this out on various platforms. This podcast could be a platform where all of us rotate as hosts/guests. Thoughts?