

Findley PTO Meeting		
MINUTES	Meeting Date: 2/24/2020	Time: 7:00 pm

Meeting Location:	Findley Elementary
Meeting called by:	Amy Heang-President, Findley PTO
Type of meeting:	General PTO Meeting
Facilitator:	Amy Heang
Note taker:	Kristy Ballou
Attendees:	Paul, WeiWei, Shawn, Amy, Dipesh, Sherry, Kristy

### Budget:

- Only budget update from last time is the box tops. They have credited our account on-line. The balance is \$381.
- We are still receiving some company matching checks from Dragon Dash.
- School supplies – we sold 10% less packs this year compared to last year; we also reduced the profits given back to Findley in order to lower the overall cost of the packs.
- We have been getting e-mail phishing schemes asking for PTO checks to be sent out. If you need a check for something, please call or text Dipesh instead of e-mailing.
- If we aren't making a lot of money on school supplies, should we consider not providing the option for school supplies?
- Also on the subject of school supplies, should the PTO consider providing school supplies for the Findley free/reduced lunch kids?

### Field Improvements:

- Past Dragon Dash Fundraising: Since 2014, fundraising has been consistent for the past 5 years; there has been a slight decline the last two years due to lower enrolment.
- Special projects for the past years:
  - New Tech
  - PYP set up/Materials
  - Apple TVs for Teachers
  - Musical Instruments
- Survey Results from end of last year:
  - Stem based Materials
  - Field Improvements
  - Playground Improvements
  - Books for Classrooms
- F2013 – Findley Track and Field Committee formed. They only raised funds for creating the track.
  - Phases were established for further upgrades including irrigation, drainage, and maintenance.
- In 2018 – We submitted Improvement Project Application with BSD for the irrigation phase.
- May 2019 – Irrigation bid was received. It was significantly higher than the original estimate, and so PTO decided not to move forward.
- December 2019 – BSD re-bid the project and received a bid for approx. half of the May bid.
- BSD is looking at saving money and is looking at implementing a water conservation plan. BSD confirmed that this will not impact our irrigation project, they will be able to provide water for irrigation.

- The kids won't be able to use the field during installation. We have talked to Erica (Flyers lead) and we'll have to either not do Flyers for those weeks or come up with an alternate idea for those weeks.
- The phases are independent; the irrigation will help regardless if the drainage phase happens. It will be better with drainage, but BSD has said that the irrigation will help.

Votes to move forward with the irrigation project:

Kyhati – Yes vote by proxy

Amy Humble – Yes vote by proxy

Votes of those present at meeting: 7 votes in favour; No votes against.

For future reference, if an item is in the budget, then that item is voted in along with the entire budget and doesn't require a separate vote.

End of Meeting.