

Finley Farms Elementary PTO

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: January 8, 6:00pm

Meeting Location: FFE Library

1. Call to Order @ 6:07pm by Krista. Sarah seconded.

Attendance: See sign-in sheet

Welcome & Opening remarks from a Co-President, a welcome back

Approved the minutes from the last PTO meeting 11/13/2025

2. Officer Updates

- President's Report
 - Update on Landscaping, possibly 10K
 - PTO has met with landscapers, PTO needs to design it, going through chain of command to get through district as well
 - Wrap on school windows, possibly 6K
 - Krista has a walk through scheduled for next Friday
 - Will also ask for quote for wrapping the fences
- Treasurer's Report - Sarah reports 48K in account. Started year with 38/39.
- Officer update: Kristin H has stepped down from Co-Secretary and Danielle G has been voted in

3. Chairperson(s) & Committee Reports

- Events
 - Holiday Shop recap: \$10,856 sold, \$4217.50 profit. Thank you to all volunteers
 - Spring Carnival will be Friday 4/10.
 - Falcon Fathers will be cooking, setup similar to Trunk or Treat. May hire a dessert food truck.
 - Asked member thoughts on charging to enter, to possibly eliminate some of the issues we had at Trunk or Treat in bathrooms and fields. If it's free it may attract teenagers or trouble makers, if there is a charge (2-5), it may keep trouble out and keep to a more family friendly event for all ages. Security will be hired however they can only do so much.
 - Falcon Fathers were mentioned to help but they will be cooking.
 - Idea: Finley students free but adults and other family members cost.
 - Idea: Charge per family to enter.
 - Concern of families that cannot afford.
 - Obstacles per grade level, like how playgrounds are different.
 - Decision to let everyone think on it, and decide at next meeting.
 - Caitlin has the HS student volunteer contact and will set up Sign-Up Genius in next week or two.
 - No pets allowed.
 - Donuts with Grownups 5/1
- Fundraisers
 - Restaurant Night Recaps:

- Top Golf: \$20/person or \$120/bay. 50% give-back. \$843.59 profit. Great reviews, want to do again.
 - Raising Cane's: 15% give-back. \$300 profit. Caitlin following up whether gift card purchases received 15% back as well.
 - Upcoming Restaurant Nights:
 - Buffalo Wild Wings Wed 1/28 20% from 11am-9pm. Teacher board will be present 4-8pm and wing-eating contest at 6pm with six staff members competing.
 - Krista clarifying if "ticket" is needed"
 - Culver's or Torchy's being looked into for February.
 - March will be family day at Fat Cat's. Krista finalizing details. 20% back
 - April may be Top Golf again
 - May will be Peter Piper Pizza for Yearbook Signing
 - Update on Fun Run: February 25
 - Obstacle Run, no color. Ran by Boosterthon. A rep will be coming 1/29 to share info with staff/teachers
 - Proceeds will go to playground equipment such as sand toys, kickball plates, repainting bball and foursquare as well as adding hopscotch. Emily requests plastic sand shovels
 - Box Tops - Raised so far this year - \$385.40
 - Fry's - check deposited in December for more than \$400
- Falcon Fathers Committee
 - New shirts ordered, to be delivered in next week or so
 - Next meeting is on January 20 @ 6:00pm
 - Will discuss Spring Carnival cooking, Garden cleanup
- Staff Appreciation Committee
 - Teacher Luncheon recap
 - Two shirts given
 - Each month something has been done
 - This year not yet planned completely, will communicate out

4. Principal's Report

- Tracy Smith, Principal
 - Moving to ParentSquare for all GPS communication. S'more and BlackBoard will be going away after January. Users need to sign in with email or phone that is listed in Infinite Campus.

5. New Business/Open Discussion

- Problem with speeders along Columbus Street in the afternoon.
 - Tracy has reached out to GPS, problem is its around their shift change so it is hard for them to come at that time, but will continue to call non-emergency
 - Krista will ask Student Council if they're up for making signs
 - Cannot cause issues such as blowhorns for liability sake.
- 100th day of school: Alyssa & Jenn creating balloon arches Sunday. Alyssa, Krista, Danielle, Sara to meet Mon 1/12 7am to hang.
 - Students get to dress up, ok to bring walkers, etc