

**Dingeman Family-Faculty Connection Annual Budget Approval Meeting**  
**August 29, 2023**  
**Via Zoom**

**I. Call to order**

Call to order by Cathryn McFearin on Tuesday, August 29, 2023 at 6:33 p.m.

Cathryn thanks everyone for being here at our first FFC meeting of the year. This is our annual budget approval meeting, so it will be a little different than the general monthly meetings. She requests everyone put their name in the chat area so that we can record for the minutes and make sure we have a quorum to approve the proposed budget for the 2023 school year.

**II. Introductions**

Cathryn asks all FFC board members, committee chairs, administration and faculty representatives to turn on their cameras so that she can introduce them.

**III. Annual Report**

1. President - Cathryn McFearin

FFC Mission

Cathryn explains that the basic role of the FFC is to enhance our students' experience at school.

The Mission Statement is as follows:

The Family-Faculty Connection (FFC) of Dingeman Elementary School is a non-profit 501 (3) c organization comprised of volunteer parents and faculty/staff. All parents/guardians of Dingeman students are considered members of the FFC. The organization's mission is to provide funding, services, support, and enrichment opportunities through field trips, parent-led Art and STEAM lessons in the classroom, Family Science and Art Nights, educational assemblies, classroom supplies, and more.

Appreciation

Cathryn expresses her gratitude to the administration, faculty and all of the volunteers who give their time and energy both in the classroom and at school-wide events.

Highlights from 2022-2023

Cathryn reviewed some of the accomplishments of the FFC in 2022-2023.

**\*\*See the attached Annual Report.\*\***

[https://dingeman.net/Doc/FFC\\_Forms\\_2023-24/FFC\\_Annual\\_Report.8.2023.pdf](https://dingeman.net/Doc/FFC_Forms_2023-24/FFC_Annual_Report.8.2023.pdf)

## **2. Treasurer - Katarina Mansir**

Katarina explains that one of her roles as the Treasurer is to prepare the attached Annual Report with the President Cathryn. The idea is to give transparency and keep everyone apprised of the business/function of the FFC.

### Past and Current Financials

The FFC had a total revenue of about \$182,000 and total expenditures of \$187,000. She is happy to report we had a much bigger delta to work with and really glad that we put the money to good use and spent the funds that were raised to improve the students' experiences over the past year, all while keeping some money in reserve.

Statement of Financial Position as of August 29, 2023:

Total Checking - \$164,132.95

Total Savings - \$30,564.52

**\*\* See attached Financial Summary slides in Annual Report.\*\***

[https://dingeman.net/Doc/FFC\\_Forms\\_2023-24/FFC\\_Annual\\_Report.8.2023.pdf](https://dingeman.net/Doc/FFC_Forms_2023-24/FFC_Annual_Report.8.2023.pdf)

### Budget 2023-2024

Katarina acknowledges that the preparation of the proposed 2023-2024 budget was a collective effort that started back in the Spring of this year and also continued at the end of the summer.

Katarina screen-shared the proposed budget slides.

**\*\*See attached Budget Overview for 2023-2024\*\***

[https://dingeman.net/Doc/FFC\\_Forms\\_2023-24/BudgetOverview.8.28.2023.pdf](https://dingeman.net/Doc/FFC_Forms_2023-24/BudgetOverview.8.28.2023.pdf)

## **IV. Budget Vote - Christina Liu**

Christina Liu, our Vice President and parliamentarian calls on everyone to review the proposed budget for the 2023-2024 school year and explains what a quorum is.

Katarina adds that we kept the required quorum at 25 so that the decisions made will be reflective of the whole school.

Attendees are asked to cast their vote via the chat function for the following motion:

\*Motion to approve the proposed 2023-2024 FFC budget – Angie Couvrette  
Second – Ashley Grobosky and Karthika Arunachalam  
Motion to approve the 2023-2024 budget passed unanimously.

V. New Business

Cathryn announces that we will have our first Tiger Rally this Friday, September 1, followed by the volunteer fair and t-shirt sales. She encourages everyone to come and requests more volunteer help so that we can put even more events on this year. She also reminds everyone that the following week will be Family Movie Night, on September 8, and we will be showing Super Mario Brothers.

Katarina adds that we are working on rolling out a new website and looking into a new vendor for our spirit gear.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.**

**Attendants: 30**

Dusty Pedrotti  
Angie Couvrette  
Ivy Lam  
Joe Marsella  
Cathryn McFearin  
Katarina Mansir  
Donnie Militante  
Jessica Craig-Huyhn  
Minh-Chau Huynh  
N. Martinez  
Indu Ramachandran  
Amy Boelzle  
Kimberly Kennelly  
Arthur Kennelly  
Christina Liu  
Arthur Liu  
Karthika Arunachalam  
Adrienne Asdal  
Kelly Cortese  
Greg Cortese  
Anthony's Eusebio  
Eydie Strouse  
Michelle Becker

Lisa Shadburn  
Vijay Gurkhe  
Ashley Grobosky  
Linnea Miller  
Claudine Ricanor Kollmeyer  
Jeff Couvrette  
Nesra Senol