

May 31, 2016

To The Executive Committee,

We are Parents/Coaches from Buckingham Elementary School who just returned from proudly representing Burnaby at the Odyssey of the Mind World Finals competition in Ames, Iowa this past weekend on May 25-29, 2016.

We are writing to you on behalf of Buckingham's 3 teams (that consisted of 21 children) who all traveled to Iowa to compete. We were informed that Burnaby City Council had generously provided \$1000 grant money to each school; however we were unsure whether it was clear to your committee that Buckingham had that many more children competing and therefore would require to disperse their grant moneys between 21 children; as opposed to Montecito Elementary School's one team of 5-7 children.

We are thankful of your generosity, but we are hoping that you might re-consider a more equitable split between all the children who traveled to compete to represent Burnaby. May we suggest that you might allot a "per team" amount rather than by a "per school" amount in order to provide fairness for the children, regardless of the number of teams each school produces to go to World Finals?

I have attached Holly Lloyd's original letter to the Executive Committee as a referent to you. Your consideration to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Mae Quan,
June Goudron,
Tammie Mark,
Mimi Chow,

Parents and Coaches for Buckingham Elementary School -
Odyssey of the Mind Program