



Attendance:

Management/Administration: None

PTA Committee: Karolina MacAulay (PTA Coordinator and ISH Communications Officer), Jana Concha (Vice Chair), Khaled Badul (Treasurer)

Principals/Coordinators/Teachers: Mr Stef Fleet (Primary School Principal)

Parents: 17

Welcome and Introduction by Jana (meeting started at 08.40)

Jana welcomed all present and gave an overview of the Agenda.

DP Class Kenya trip

- DP students are going to Kenya to work with a local school and asked for PTA's help with new fundraising activities
 - Pizza sale for PYP students during week 10: it was agreed that the students should create a sign-up form in order to calculate how much food to prepare.
 - ASCP bake sale on March 13th, the students are looking for parent volunteers that can bake for the bake sale: it was agreed that the bake sale will be moved to another date because March 13 is the Maths Pi/Pie day.
 - Action school: Karolina will announce the new date for the ASCP bake sale (new date is set to March 20 starting at 15:00). Karolina will share the groups' Facebook page with the community (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/CAStripKenya2020/>)

PTA Noticeboard

- The noticeboard by the stairs leading down to the ISH canteen will be used for PTA communications
- Action PTA: The parents in the PTA steering committee should add relevant information to this board and make sure it is kept up-to date.
- Action parents: if a parent would like to add a message or poster to this board, please send an email to pta@ish.dk

Events: Fastelavn

- The breakfast with coffee/tea and fastelavnsboller at the Fastelavn assembly on February 20th was a success and could be repeated next year.
- The fastelavn costume swap was not that popular. We could consider not having it next year.
- Big thanks to project owners Nicola and Jana and the parent volunteer group for your efforts!

Upcoming event: 2020 Upper School Exhibition on March 4

- PTA will sponsor and coordinate drinks and snacks for the Upper School Exhibition
- Parent volunteers are needed on the day for food preparation
- Karolina is the project owner
- Action school: Karolina will send a request to the parent volunteer email list.

Upcoming event: lecture on the effect of social media on children

- Lecture on the effects of social media on our children by Lise McNamara, well-being and working environment facilitator
- Date of lecture to be confirmed. An invitation will be sent on ManageBac.
- Action PTA:
 - decide on a date and time for the lecture from the dates available.
 - PTA to design a poster for the event
 - Co-ordinate with ASCP to see if babysitting/pizza for kids during the lecture is a possibility
- Action school: Stef will confirm available dates for the lecture. Karolina will send out an invite to all parents when the date/time has been confirmed

Upcoming event: teacher appreciation day

- The original Valentine's Day teacher appreciation day has been postponed. May 5th was discussed as an alternative date
- It was discussed if we should have two set teacher appreciation days per year, sometime before the winter break and before the summer holiday.
- Action PTA: make a policy based on the discussion at today's meeting to be presented at the next meeting.

Upcoming event: ISH 10th Anniversary celebration

- ISH's 10th Birthday will be celebrated at the PYP End of Year Celebration, which will be turned into a celebration for the whole community.
- The school and the PTA will collaborate to plan this event. A number of planning events will take place in the coming weeks and the PTA project owner and PTA coordinator will be invited to these meeting to bring forward the ideas discussed at the PTA meetings.
- The ideas discussed at the meeting included:
 - Live band

- ISH birthday cake for everyone
- Foam party for older students
- Having a good soundsystem for music and speeches
- Free icecream for everyone
- Food trucks vs BBQ/hot dogs. Stef commented that it is difficult to get food trucks at this time of year.
- Location: options include the school grounds (may be too small)
- PTA project committee: Amanda, Jana, Juanita
- Action PTA: Summarize main ideas to bring to the school/PTA 10th anniversary planning meeting
- Action school: invite the PTA project committee to all 10th anniversary planning meetings

PTA Finances

- Khaled presented how much the PTA has spent this school year and how much is left for the rest of the school year. He also showed an overview of PTA sponsored activities/projects last year.
- Action PTA: prepare a proposal of how the remaining funds should be distributed this school year and present at the next meeting.

Other topics/Actions

- School lunch quality: some parents voiced concerns about the school lunch options and quality.

Action school: It was decided that the school should send out a survey about the lunch service (food choices available, quality/taste, is the food hot/fresh, do students have enough time to eat etc.) to all parents to investigate if more parents/students feel the same way.

- The problems with the ISH website remains. Some problems have trouble finding the site in organic searches and some parents are being directed to a spam site when trying to access the site from a mobile device

Action school: Fix these issues as soon as possible. An update will be presented at the next meeting.

Meeting ended 09:40.

Next PTA Meeting: Thursday, March 26, 8:30-9:30 (with a further 30 minutes for networking). Location: Conference room (by the reception)

If you would like to add a topic to the agenda for this meeting, please email pta@ish.