

KIS

PTA general meeting

22 November 2022

Minutes

Welcome from Mr OB and PTA president Liliya

- Welcome to parents and offline participants via zoom
- MSA accreditation has been approved

Communication (Elizavia , PTA vice president)

- What is the structure of the PTA , explanation of the several branches and subcommittees
 - Exec team
 - Class reps
 - Food committee, event committee
 - Eco committee (still to come)
- Class reps work alongside Liaisons to communicate information from the parents to the PTA and School

Treasury report (Marina Sh, Treasurer)

- From last year, over 2 000000 Tg raised.
- This year small expenses so far
 - Teacher Appreciation day - bought tablecloths and beverages
 - Tablecloths an investment for future use

Election of new EYP liaison (Aliya B)

- Introduction and welcome

Overview of accomplishments so far

Brief summary of events covered so far (Elizaveta)

- Teachers Appreciation day (big success)
- Class representative Training (thank you to Tarryn W)

- Gave everyone an idea of expectations
- Managing WhatsApp groups
- Who to refer on to
- Not class rep job to solve everyone's problems, but can direct them to the right person
- If you didn't make it, look for the presentation in the class rep group

Liaison Meetings with Heads of School

- EY: Aliya met with Ms Nina
 - If parents know of interesting field trips that fit in with the Unit of enquiry, contact Aliya through your class representative
- MYP: Jodie and Fatima meet with Mr Jeff and Ms Claire once a month
 - Concerns of parents expressed and feedback from teachers
 - Parent Talks taking still taking place this year (info in school newsletters)
- PYP: Marina Y met with Ms Elena
 - If parents know of interesting field trips that fit in with the Unit of enquiry, contact Marina Y through your class representative

Food committee (Mia)

- Update on tender process
 - 6 companies have confirmed participation
 - During the course of this week, a tasting committee will be visiting each of the confirmed tender companies to sample their food and inspect various aspects of their business. Such as food hygiene, administration and quality of food and service. This tasting committee consists of parents and school administration, from multicultural backgrounds and represents all sectors of the school from EY to DP.
- For more information on tender process, see the minutes from the previous Food meetings in the [food whatsapp chat](#).
- The tender process has to be thorough and therefore can take time (latest time February)
- Resignation of Mia from administration of food Whatsapp chat. School Administration will take over this task. Need to engage in constructive communication between school, parents and canteen

Eco committee (Liliya)

- Lilya in personal contact with president of student eco committee
- All vendors must be eco friendly (no plastic cups or cutlery)
- Parents asked to bring own thermos and travel cups to Winterfest
- Recycling bins available

Events committee

WinterFest (Jisha)

- December 10
- One of the biggest events of the year. Hope everyone has received emails with WhatsApp links to different groups
- Decoration of school will take place on 26 Dec at 09:00 All welcome
- Venders - if parents want to be part of the event contact Marina or Liliya
- PTA performance - traditional dance by parents
 - Will start practicing next week.
- Winterfest games and activities - Need more volunteers

Book fair

- 23 - 27 January
- Great opportunity to donate used books and buy secondhand books

Gala evening for parents only

- End of february
- Need feedback and ideas for parents
- Will be fundraiser (half money to charity and half to school project)
- Parents can identify a need (swimming pool, etc)
- Silent Auction

Topics discussed

Gift Policy for New Year

- School has set a **maximum** of \$200 for class gift to teacher, \$100 for individual gift to teacher
- Joined present from each division to support staff / teachers
- Get list of names of all staff from school
- Still missing a lot of the community in the class groups. Please join to receive necessary information
- It was suggested that the letter about gift giving be sent out by the school. (Emails and WhatsApp)

Charity/ fundraising Ideas (Liliya)

- Portable Stage for whole school
 - Drama department is helping to advise what kind of stage is optional
- Tent for playground for shelter from sun
 - PTA is looking for quotes

- Gardening boxes (Candice)
 - Small garden in a box.
 - See the process of life
 - Teach responsible
 - Part of eco community
 - Garden box shared with class or between boxes
 - Greenhouse will be needed because of the climate
 - Start with the curriculum, must be part of the learning
 - Mr OB will be happy to work with anyone interested

General concerns

Buses

- Many after school activities for PYP, why are buses not available ?
- Mr OB: Young kids need supervision , and school has responsibilities to hand kids over to parents
- TA supervise the kids in PYP
- Can't expect them to also do this for later times. It's not fair on them
- Cots and legal implications
- Tanya is volunteering to help form bus committee

Swimming pool

- Can we make a contract with a company to use their pool?
- ASA only has 1 lesson per week, not enough lanes for all kids
- Vela can only give 1 lane
- Mr OB's response:
 - Congestion and traffic problems to get students to a pool
 - Take kids out of school can be a problem
 - We need to find a practical solution

ASA and BSA sign up

- Seems to be a mix up with kids signing up and parents signing up
- School transportation for sport games. They school will provide transport there and back
- School prefers to take and fetch kids from event and parents fetch kids from school
- Sport budget has been increased to compensate for transportation
- Class list names on ASA Google forms (data protection?) School will look into it.