

PTA - February, 2023 Meeting minutes

Senior Campus, 6th of February, 2023

PTA board ATTENDEES

15 Parents

Sylwia Roukens Chairperson SRO

Erin Frugia, Secretary EFR

Owe Kroeger, Treasurer OKR

Teachers

Mr Moreno RMO

1. A parent representative for the 10th grade WhatsApp Group has been found.
2. The PTA will be in need of a new Treasurer after May 2023. Our current Treasurer has a 12th grade student that will be graduating this April.
3. Language Heritage Committee Presentation:
 - a. The Language Heritage Committee President Katya and PTA communicator Polina attended our PTA meeting via online and gave a short presentation. The committee wanted to introduce themselves to the PTA and explain their goals of hosting social/interactive events and book drives in order to help students and teachers share their culture and language with each other.
 - b. They are hosting an event for the Foundation years students (6th, 7th, and 8th) on March 7th. Students will be given the chance to present information about their culture and will be given the opportunity to donate books in their native language to the RISS library. We are encouraged to spread the word about this event and the

book drive to the rest of the parents at RISS. The teachers and tutors will also inform and encourage the student body to donate books as well.

4. International Food Fair:

- a. Currently, planned for Saturday, March 18, 2023. It was decided to host the event from 1pm to 4pm. Set up for the event will happen the evening of March 17th and the morning of March 18th. Depending on the weather the event may be outside or inside the senior campus.
- b. There are currently students from 60 different nationalities attending RISS. The PTA sent out a questionnaire to the parents of the RISS student body to inform families of the upcoming event and to let them know we are looking for volunteers and help. So far we know 115 people are planning on attending the event and 32 people have signed up to help in some way.
- c. It was decided to assign a point person from each nationality to help organise their food table. This will help relieve some stress and pressure as multiple family groups will work together to provide food for their booth. The point person will help keep track of the food that will be donated and determine what decorations and other supplies will be needed for their food booth. The point person and contact information will be communicated to the parents using the WhatsApp groups.
- d. We will ask CAS students again for help with setting up and taking down the event.
- e. Tickets will be sold at the event. There was more discussion regarding using a QR code so participants can pay the PTA directly. The money raised will go toward the Green Roof Project. It was decided that each ticket will be worth one euro so each food booth can decide how much their food item will cost.
- f. During the January meeting we discussed each food booth providing one raffle basket. We forgot to discuss this in February, so we can circle back at the March meeting to see if this is something the group still wants to do.
- g. We also discussed having some games for kids and parents to participate in and if there would be a small fee to play. Everyone seemed interested in having games.
- h. PTA will provide some supplies: Final decision on this will be made at the March meeting. We discussed the PTA providing plates, wooden cutlery, napkins, garbage bags, gloves, the tickets, and beverages.



- i. It was mentioned that we should encourage parents to bring both vegetarian and meat food items.
- j. There will be music during the event. We may use the same equipment that was used for the Wine and Cheese Event or we may use a DJ. It was mentioned that a PTA member knows a DJ and they are going to ask to see if they are available. If not, the student Tech Crew will help set up the equipment the school has.