

PTA - December 2023 Meeting minutes

Senior Campus, 4th of December, 2023

PTA Board ATTENDEES

*Carlos De León , Interim Chairperson
and Treasurer
Erin Frugia, Secretary*

4 RISS PTA Members/Parents

Teachers -

Mr Rafael Moreno RMO RISS - PTA representative

❖ **General Updates:**

➤ **Past events and meetings:**

- **Access** came to the Sr. Campus on the 17th of Nov. The meeting slides can be found on the RISS website in the PTA section.
- **World food** 10th of Nov. (USA), and 1st of Dec. (South Asia) were both successful. We wish more parents and staff would attend as the food is amazing since it's all home-made.
- **Teacher Appreciation breakfast** on the 16th of Nov. was a huge success. Thanks to all the people that brought food.
- **Green Roof Project at JC:** The meeting on the 16th of Nov. was very successful. Wolfert agreed to pay the seed money to Het Onderwijs subsidie bureau to start seeking all government and municipal funding opportunities.
- **Festival of lights** The PTA provided drinks and refreshments during the event on the 15th of Dec.
- **Tablecloth purchase:** Cafeteria staff reached out to the PTA to buy tablecloths to use at school/PTA events. Consensus was to approve the purchase.

➤ **Upcoming items:**

- The student-led RISS Heritage Language Committee will provide a short presentation in the upcoming PTA meeting (15th Jan 2024) to inform us of their upcoming book drive.
- Leiden University students may attend some events to seek parent participation.

- **PTA-sponsored groups:** Yoga, and both Dutch & English Conversation Club have been moving along well. If you'd like to attend as either a teacher or a student, join the groups in the PTA @ RISS WhatsApp community.

❖ **Work and Social Groups - Event Planning (and Request for Help)**

- **Request for help:** Ongoing request for help for Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for the remainder of the school year.
- **World Food Evening:**
 - The next World Food event will be the Pan-European Wine & Cheese evening on the 19th of Jan. Please sign up in the RSVP form [here](#), and the flyer is shown at the end of these minutes. The Board would like to thank all the people that have been graciously working to have an enjoyable evening with no issues.
 - The latest schedule of the World Food cuisines is shown below. There are still some questions as to what cuisines should be represented in the dates that are still unknown. We will be sending out a survey to finalize the options, and to see if there are any outstanding recommendations.

Date	Event	Cuisine	Location	Comments
10 Nov	Glow in the Night World Food	USA	Sr. Campus Aula	At the same time as students Glow in the Night Dance 7pm - 10pm
1 Dec	Diwali World Food	South Asia	Sr. Campus Aula	6pm to 9pm
19 Jan	Wine and Cheese Evening	All	Wolfert Bilingual Campus	7pm to 10pm
16 Feb	World Food	?	Sr. Campus Aula	At the same time as students Valentine's Disco 7pm - 10pm
22 Mar	World Food	?	Sr. Campus Aula	6pm to 9pm
13 Apr	International Food Fair	All	Wolfert Bilingual Campus	12pm to 4pm
31 May	World Food	World BBQ	Sr. Campus Aula	Brazil, South Africa, others? 6pm to 9pm
27 June	World Food	?	Sr. Campus Aula	Farewell Dinner and Drinks 6pm to 8pm

- **Teacher Appreciation Breakfast:**
 - Although the thank-you breakfasts for teachers and staff have been successful, it has been decided to move the dates to the school's Curriculum Planning Development (CPD) days, as all faculty is available all day, making it easier to reach all teachers.
- **Friends of the Library Update:**
 - Volunteers are welcome and needed to help apply a protective cover over new books.
- **Green Roof project at JC:**
 - The PTA is looking for help to complete some grant/community fund applications.
 - The PTA is also looking for novel and fun ways to raise as many funds as possible for this project. If you have any ideas, or if your company or organisation would do some funds matching we would like to hear from you.

➤ **Green Thumbs:**

- We are looking for parents to help green up the school by gardening, litter clean up etc. We are attempting to connect with Green Team leaders and RISS facilities management to find ways to collaborate.

❖ **Teen Wellness**

- After the two parent meetings, live and virtual, a summary of the findings will be presented to the RISS LT, and the parents.

❖ **PTA Finances**

- The goal is still to raise funds during the World Food events and other PTA events.
- The goal will be to charge €5 per adult at every World Food event as a fundraiser for the Green Roof.

❖ **Upcoming Events**

15th January	Senior Campus	PTA monthly meeting
19th January	Wolfert Bilingual	Wine and Cheese evening
25th January	TBD	Evening Parent Workshop (social media)
5th February	Senior Campus	PTA monthly meeting
16th February	Senior Campus	World Food
4th March	Senior Campus	PTA monthly meeting
22nd March	Senior Campus	World Food
8th April	Senior Campus	PTA monthly meeting

Next PTA meeting will be held on Monday, 15th of January at 7pm (We skipped the first Monday as it was a day off for students)

There is nothing that goes better
together than a glass of wine and some good cheese!
Add to that great conversation, art and music and
you will have an unforgettable time!

PTA presents

Wine
AND
CHEESE
2024

BRING

a bottle of wine & cheese to
share with parents and staff.

DONATE/BID ON

a wine of your choice
at the silent auction
(Cheese and crackers baskets
also appreciated for the auction.)

PERFORMANCES

by students.

Friday · 19 Jan, 2024
Wolfert van Borselen School Aula
(next to RISS junior campus)
Bentincklaan 280, 3039 KK Rotterdam
19:00 -22:00

