

ISL PTO General Meeting Minutes

September 30, 2021

Location:

Gardezu Namins

Pinki.

Attendance:

Nineteen PTO members and school staff.

School Director Mrs Nel Capadona

Council members: Mrs Stanislava Yankovskaya (Council Chairperson) and Mr Phin Pope (Council member)

Meeting began at 9:10 am.

Welcome remarks --Jennifer Mayne

Calendar --Jennifer Mayne and Ene Kukk

- PTO Board has planned events for October and November.
- October 13th Art Nouveau Walking tour, with two different times, at 12.00 and 18.30. total cost for each person is 8 Euros.
- PTO is also planning a Halloween event for the kids at school.
- For November PTO is planning a family event, most likely on a Saturday, so everyone can have the opportunity to join. More details will be announced soon.
- Events done so far are, Jurmala Bike Ride, which ended up being a walk on the beach and lunch due to bike rental "guy" having an emergency; Riga City Tour, turnout was amazing.
- PTO would like to plan one or two coffees a month.
- There is a great desire to have a whole family BBQ, but due to the COVID guidelines, the school is still not comfortable having everyone come to the school at once.
- This year PTO has more flexibility to do fund raising thru bake sales (labeling everything due to some allergies) PTO would plan one in the fall and one in the spring, as last year with Covid -19 restrictions PTO was not able to do so.
- Teachers appreciation lunch is tomorrow, send a dish to school with your child.
- PTO is planning more events where more teachers can participate.
- PTO is working on sending out a survey to families so they can let PTO know how to support them more and what would they like the PTO to focus on in the planning of events.

Finances -- Jennifer Mayne

- There is 675.41 Euros in the PTO general fund.
- Last year PTO gave the senior class 250.00 Euros for the end of year party.

Room Parents --Jennifer Mayne

- Signup sheet circulated for those interested in being Room Parents.
- We are still in need of room parents for some grades.

Election of Board Members --Jennifer Mayne

- Introduction of the nine applicants for PTO board (Jennifer Mayne, Brandi Sarmazian, Amanda Corvacho, Ene Kukk, Carmen Sunderland, Sandi Shayanova, Sonja Bartel, Lucian Ghanem and Ausra Zaksaitė).
- Motion was made and a vote by show of hands to elect all nine board Members and their positions on the PTO Board.

President: Jennifer Mayne
Vice President: Lucian Ghanem
Treasurer: Amanda Corbacho
Treasurer Assistant: Sonja Bartel
Communications Officer: Brandi Sarmazian
Secretary: Carmen Sunderland
Events Organizer: Ene Kukk
Assistant: Sandi Shayanova
Assistant: Ausra Zaksaitė

Remarks from Council members.

- Mrs Stanislava Yankovskaya and Mr Phin Pope, made an introduction on who they are, what are some of the things they work on and explained that they only guide the school they do not run the school.
- Council minutes are posted on the school website <https://isl.edu.lv/about-us/governing-council/> for questions you can email them at: islcouncil@isl.edu.lv

Remarks from School Director Nel Capadona

- Mrs Nel Capadona introduced herself and thanked the PTO for all the support PTO gives the school by welcoming new families and organizing fun activities giving the families opportunities to come together.

Jennifer Mayne ended the meeting at 10.10 am by thanking everyone that came.