

General Meeting 2008-11-20 Notes

Participants: List attached.

§1 Opening

PTA chairman opens the meeting...

§2 Minuts from last meeting

PTA chairman reported the minutes from the PTA annual meeting held in September.

§3 Financial report

The PTA treasurer reported the financial status. PTA has 92 members and 29k SEK in the bank.

The meeting discussed the need for recruiting more members. The PTA plans and enables activities at the IEST, e.g. the last grades Prom, Halloween party, Parents Pub, Spring disco, school down hill ski trip. PTA also provides the opportunity to influence the school management, as well as represent the pupils parents.

§4 Reports from the board and committees

Corina Ubertone Nilsson informed about the PAG's (Parent action group) work. The PAG meets and discusses different subjects of interest, which then are reported and discussed at PTA board meetings and with the IEST Principal or relevant person. E.g. the recently discussed subjects relating to school lunches, rules of how to use the Schoolsoft system (including it's use in SPT and the need for the pupils to receive their results before being published), improvement of the "Choice day" and discussions about the school gym.

The next PGA meeting is scheduled for January 22nd. The easiest method for contacting the PGA is by email to the PTA at: info@iestpta.se.

Åsa Lödquist informed about the Social Events group. Halloween was a success thanks to all those that helped. The next event is Lucia, December 12 where there is need for support from the parents in the morning.

Maurice Parry informed that The Understanding Leadership Group is currently working with "Tough-love", ethics and leader ship.

The idea is to meet with the mentors and pupils of the 9th grade to further discuss these subjects.

§5 School lunches

Jens Bäck, the owner of Fraiche Catering and supplier of school lunches, as well as responsible for the dining room, introduced the participants to the company history and goals. Teresa, the company housekeeper at IEST also participated.

The company cooks all meals themselves (including most of what is sold in the café). This is to minimize the needs of artificial ingredients. The menu repeats itself every 7 week, but also changes according to the annual seasons. Each day, 2 different dishes are served, plus a vegetarian dish. The number of guests preferring one or the other dish are based on experience, though it does happen that a dish was more popular than usual and therefore was insufficient.

Sometimes there is a theme week, e.g. based on a certain movie when posters from theatres are posted on the walls in the dining room, etc.

The café's opening hours are 9:00 – 15:00. In the mornings it sells sandwiches.

§6 Principal inform

Today IEST have 640 pupils and a staff of 53.

The school's fast expansion has come to an end and now is the time to establish an even more stable situation. A part of this is the school's efforts to improve the academic area.

“Skolinspektionen” has conducted its first inspection of a private school ...at the IEST. Day 1, the IEST Principal visited the inspection at their offices. Day 2 the inspection visited the school and talked to the teachers, pupils and management. They visited the classes and the school premises. The Principal visited the inspection once more to provide the information requested by them. The results of the inspection have still not been announced.

The school has moved the management and staff rooms the library. The library will be reopened on the top floor of the school after the Christmas break and will be supported by a full-time employee.

The school has invested in a wireless LAN and plans to open it for the pupils in spring.

A warning was sent to all pupils regarding the recent locker room theft. It is of great importance that valuables are kept in a locked locker.

At the end of the autumn (December 19) term the 6th and 7th grade pupils will receive a written statement relating to their performance, though these are not official grades.

The school gym situation is currently the “headache”. Some alternatives have been identified though not yet settled. Meanwhile, there are plans to improve the current gym including more shower facilities.

“Choice day” needs improvement and the Principal will investigate how to improve this, hopefully within the spring term.

§7 Other questions

None...

§8 End

The meeting closed.

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The minutes is correct

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