

OISPA MEETING minutes
THURSDAY, 14 December 2016
OIS Lobby 9:00

Old Business

1. Welcome Back Coffee

The new years coffee was successful. Unfortunately it didn't attract many new families even though OISPA approached all of them separately.

2. Santa Day/Lucia

Lucia and Santa day for preschool and lower primary was very lovely. Very much appreciated by the children. Handing out the pepparkakor instead of the lucia buns was good and more convenient.

New Business

Upcoming activities

Alexa Sabanegh

• Loppemarked (23/4)

For 300 nok parents can rent a table to sell their stuff besides income from that there will be bake sale table, run by OISPA. There is also a community table (where families donate stuff to sell) the venture crew organized this table last year and got the profit. The Venture Crew will be approached by Alexa to organize it again this year. Getting rid of all the stuff at the end is a bit of a problem and should be better organized. Alexa will ask Sher-Li Hor to coordinate this years loppemarked.

• Book Week /Book Exchange (25-26/4)

Primar and secondary will bring in books they would like to swap. So if students bring in two books you can take two books. Deanna suggests to do secondary on the first day because they bring in interest books for primary as well. And get in all the books before both events. Deanne Hibler will coordinate this event. She will make a suggestion for a good program for the event. Volunteers are needed in the preparations and on the days. Oispa funds parts of the costs for an author to come to OIS. Oispa suggested OIDS that it should be an author who could serve both primary and secondary, last years it was always only focused on primary. OISPA serves hot chocolate and popcorn at the reading afternoon.

• Staff Appreciation Lunch (13/5)

Each class will bring in two dishes for the teachers. Carol Berglund will coordinate this event. Oispa will not assign the dishes to the classes. People are able to sign up for something they want to make. Volunteers are needed to help in the classes, set up and clean up. Carol will look at a possibility to involve the students more in this event, f.e. serving the teachers or have the students make a nice note or drawing for the teachers.

• International Food and Fun Fair (4/6)

Carissa Peach will look at the possibilities and make a suggestion for a program and set up for the afternoon/evening, family oriented. Funding through ticket sale or bringing in food by families (you cant come unless you bring something, bringing your food is your entrance ticket. Besides donating food there can be a donation box. It is decided to make this event family orientated and look at the possibilities to organize an event in October for

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- Social Activities Ideas

Emilie Smithjens came up with some new ideas for social activities such as a coca cola excursion. Alexa and Emilie are looking at the possibilities of organizing it. Carissa Peach came up with idea to organize a curling event. More information on these activities will follow. Nina who organizes the monthly coffees at grapevine informed us that grapevine is finished. We have to look at an alternative. The first coffee will be 5 feb at WB Samson (reservation is not possible so we will go without reservation, according to most people it is very quiet in de mornings at WB Samson).

- Allocation request Deanna Hibler,

Year 6 literacy teacher has asked for a fund for a guided reading program for all year 6 children. Costs will be 3500 nok. all agree with this request.

Ski school

- There is still no news on the alternative OIS would offer for ski school. Alexa will ask Janecke Aarnaes about this. 19 april is the next board meeting. All parents are invited.

Committee Reports

a. Crosswalk

Good news. They will get an antwoord op de aanvraag around easter. We moeten dus tot easter the crosswalk bemannen. Committee will ask school to fund the next six months of crosswalk helping, instead of parents doing it.

b. Hot Dogs/Smoothies

It is going well. Getting the amounts right is still a bit of a problem and the hygiene of the kitchen is a concern. We have to address this problem to school.

c. New Families

9 new families arrived after Christmas, they have all been approached by OISPA.