PTA Meeting Meeting Minutes November 22, 2018, 8:30



International School of Hellerup

Attendance: Management/Administration: -PTA Committee: Birgitte, Alana, Karolina, Rose Teachers/Coordinators: 0 Parents: 14

Welcome by Karolina (meeting started at 08.30)

Introduction to Rose

Will be taking on Karolina's coordinator role in the PTA while Karolina is on Maternity leave.

Presentation by Henry Evans, Magnificent Oceans

http://www.magoce.com/

Henry spoke to the PTA about sustainability and the aim to get a green flag (http://www.ecoschools.global/)

Discussed with group how can we make ISH more sustainable?

- Grade 4 sustainable unit, set up an eco club/eco committee as extra curricular, parents and students mixed ages.
- 1 hour every week, pick up rubbish around the community. field trip idea?
- Understanding recycling where does it go?
- Parents and local community involvement
- Creation of eco warriors, eco ambassadors, eco committee
- Sustainability plan 10 steps on how to be more sustainable
- PTA events sustainability with plastic plate etc.
- Trade clothes day swap between the ages. Way of reusing clothes. Any left over could go to charity. Better to foster the community. 5 pieces to swap. Teach the children why recycle
- Meat free Monday canteen, education on the production of meat to the parents about why we need meat free Monday. Parent after school talk.
- Plastic free Friday, parents support changing habits many solutions to fit your lifestyle.
- Could we dedicate page to sustainability in the newsletter each month. Have a page with tips and how to teach/talk children about environment. High level and then deeper links. Guest articles. Education about why they are being sustainable.
- Platform to share alternatives. People could send in tips. Top tip per month.

Discussion of PTA Financial involvement to help teach children, staff and parents about being sustainable and their role in our future. To be discussed further by PTA committee.

Possible next steps: Parent presentation "how to educate your tips at home", come to January PTA meeting. Henry to talk to heads of school. Small steps to move forward. Two goals per school year - try and achieve. 1. Have recycling program 2. Try one meat free Monday for example.

Events

Halloween, October 31

Thank you to everyone helped out and brought food. It was a great event and super fun for the children. The stamp was a good way to control and monitor that all kids had received some food.

Next year: Encourage children to help clean up - place recycling bins and waste bins in the canteen.

PYP Festival of Lights, November 27

To date we have around 200 RSVPs, the form is a helpful way to try and manage numbers and plan food.

On Tuesday morning from 8:30 the Meeting Room will be booked out for goodie bag packing.

PTA Finances

Khaled presented the costs to date. Healthy budget.

Planning to buy items such as bamboo boats etc in bulk.

Committee meetings to discuss where and how money is spent. Create a budget forecast for the year including budgeting for upcoming events.

Any Other Business

Utilise parents as resources for field trips - this could be a helpful way for teachers to organise field trips as parents might have some helpful connections for different venues.

Meeting ended 9:40

Next PTA Meeting:

Thursday, January 17, 8:30-9:30 Location: Conference room (by the reception). If you would like to add a topic to the agenda for this meeting, please email <u>pta@ish.dk</u>.