



PTF Breakfast Meeting

April 9, 2019

Attendance: 43

Welcome. Welcome to all, and thank you to the New Zealand families for hosting the delicious breakfast. This has been a very successful year of country hosts for the breakfasts. It is such a wonderful way to celebrate the diversity at AIS.

Lutz Krantz, School Board Member and Chair of the NomCom committee. The NomCom committee is in the process of recruiting candidates for the School Board for next year. At present there are 4 open seats (1 of which will need to be filled by an American). So far there are 4 candidates. Lutz explained that it is always better to have more choice, so is inviting anyone interested in a position on the board. All interested individuals can submit their name through the application on the school web site. There are only three days left to sign up. Names will be announced around April 15 or 16. If for some reason, if you are unsatisfied with the available candidates, a new name can be put forth as a late candidate with 15 signatures.

Also available, are positions on committees. Some of the committees include: School Finances, Governance, Buildings and Grounds. All committees and Board positions are listed on the school website.

Appropriations. Thank you to Susan Cole for all of her hard work to make this year's Appropriations process run so smoothly. There were 6 applications that went to vote. We also received a record number of votes this year! Each application request under 2000€ will require 50% or more Yes votes to be funded, and application requests over 2000€ will require 67% or more yes votes in order to be funded.

Musical Equipment will be funded up to 2000€, the school will fund the balance

Career Fair: fully funded

Outdoor Workout Equipment: fully funded

C-Pens: fully funded

Senior/Faculty Luncheon: Fully funded

Vegetable Garden: fully funded.

Instead of the usual videos that accompany the voting process, we will be creating a Thank you video to showcase things that have been funded through the Appropriations process.

Classroom/Grade Level Parents. The May PTF Breakfast will be an event to celebrate the volunteer parents. Parents will be invited to share stories of their activities though the year, and have an opportunity to volunteer for next year as well. We would hope that all parents will bring a notebook of sorts that outlines their activities this year, that will then be passed on to the next volunteer. It is also the hope of the Board to have all classroom/grade level parents arranged for next year before the end of this year. New parents who may feel intimidated about volunteering will be reassured they will be joining a group

of parents, they will not be on their own. A revised handbook will be available to the volunteer parents for next year.

PTF Board Elections. The current PTF Board positions will be open for next year, as they are all one year term positions. Most current members have been nominated for their same positions for next year, but a number of positions are still open. Elections will be held at the May breakfast meeting, if necessary. If there are more than one person nominated for any position, a vote will be needed. If only one person is nominated, a vote will not be necessary. New Board members will be announced at the May Breakfast and then after, in Scoops. Two weeks before the May breakfast meeting, all candidates will be announced in Scoops.

Jen Trutschmann came to the breakfast meeting to speak to the parents, informing them about a fund raising project that has been ongoing, to support the Mukwashi school in Zambia. At present, there are plans to send 6 teachers to the school to check it all out, possibly leading to an bi-annual trip for HS students. Most of the fundraising has been through the elementary school. The school has been provided with many things and shares excess supplies with other schools in their area. AISV has helped building girls sanitation, science lab, and a high school wing. Ms T will hold another meeting in May after the teachers return.

IFF. A servicing size and price guide was distributed to all country coordinators. In addition to that information, alcohol drinks should be 3-4€. It is advised to NOT price any wine glasses lower than 3.50€, since that is the price for wine at the wine bar. Of course, more expensive wines can be priced higher.

New this year: we will be collecting all leftovers from the country tables to be taken to a shelter. PTF will provide the containers. Final details will be provided to the country coordinators.

No students should be served any alcohol, even if they are of age.

Country Coordinators are encouraged to be specific on their supply forms regarding any wattage needed for electrical appliances. This is important for how we place each table to avoid electricity outages.

Country Coordinators are asked to make sure they turn their supply forms as soon as possible. Once they are all received, the map of tables can be created.

Joe Eisen introduced a new fund raising concept, the AIS Annual Fund. This Fund will be used to fund larger projects that Appropriations cannot. He will be working to fundraise through alumnae and corporations. He is looking to have a committee that includes parents, hopefully representing each school. He needs 4-5 parents, and anyone interested in this should contact him directly.

AIS Flea market. The flea market will be held this year on May 25. Information will be shown in Scoops soon for anyone interested in signing up for a table or to volunteer.