



PTF Breakfast Meeting

December 11, 2018

Recap of previous events: Overall summaries were presented for the successful Halloween, UN Day and Seasonal Crafting events. None of these events would have been possible without the support of volunteers

Upcoming events: the next event will be BINGO, scheduled for Feb 9, 2019. Plans are already in process. Also coming up: IFF and the AIS 60th Anniversary weekend (that ends with IFF). There will be many alumnae gatherings scheduled as part of the anniversary celebrations, including an Ambassador event. Tini mentioned that due to the anniversary events coinciding with IFF, the PTF contribution to each country table will be increased to 400€ to accommodate the increase in number of people attending. They will need more food.

Introducing Jim Ellis. Jim introduced himself to the group. Jim is instrumental with the many things at the school – noteworthy is the student network.

Appropriations. The deadline for applications has been extended to February. There have been three applications submitted so far.

Steve Razidlo offered many thanks to the PTF for providing the opportunities. For example, the Christmas concerts at the Vienna Boys Choir hall, and at city hall - both featured AIS students and were very successful.

Kirstin Detrick, Chair of the AIS Executive Board. Kristin presented information regarding governance and leadership at AIS – some history of the board strategic plan and some improvements made since the start of the plan. The recent accreditation recommends continued measures to improve the board structure and stability. For example, the reality is that more than 50% of board seats are up for reelection every year because of term length. This results in an annual re-start of plans. To fix this, the board is recommending extending the term for members to be 2 years plus one extended year.

Also presented, the reality that there are not enough qualified members willing to run for serving on the board, and committing their time and expertise/resources. This results in gaps in skills. The board is proposing that the board would be enabled to appoint 2 individuals to the board to satisfy some skill gaps.

There will be voting on these two proposed changes at the next general assembly.

Thank you all for attending the meeting -