QFI School Parent Association board meeting

Date: Monday February 4th 2019

Time: 7.30am – 9.00am

Location: School Canteen

Present: PA executive board – Marianne, Tiina, Paivi and Maria

Vice Principal – Mr Jerker, Olli, Biba and Minna,

Visit from Ninth grade delegates

- Visit from Grade Nine representatives who have requested assistance from PA to support their proposal of hosting a "Prom" for the ninth grade students.
- They have already contacted several hotels for quotes.
- They believe they will need approximately 15,000qr, this is a package deal.
- Hilton hotel are the only venue at present offering assistance with getting license from ministry.
- Chaperones required approximately 16 adults made up of parents and adults.
- 30 QFIS students option of bringing a plus 1.
- Ticket sales preferably not the main way of raising funds to pay the outstanding balance.
- They need to get the other students and their own parents involved and onboard for this project.
- PA to provide support in promoting the event and to ensure this is student driven.
- PA may in the future contribute some funding. TBA.
- Students have contact details of Parent Association President for future contact and updates.

Booth sale Saturday 23rd February 2019

- 10am – 2pm
- Should be done as soon as possible due to weather.
- Registration must be by 21st Feb prior to the event.
- Park up by 0930hrs.
- Outside vendors 100qr
- Community vendors 50qr – families from school.
- Ninth grade boot will be free if they wish to participate.
- Cost will be paid prior to event or on the day at the gate before vehicle is granted access!
- Promotion posters created by Marianne.
- Funds from this event will be allocated to future projects.

- Rules for parking UP will be passed on to vendors.
- Vendors are responsible for quality of goods sold.
- PA disclaimer we are not responsible for any goods and services sold by vendors.
- Usual cultural rules apply in regards to 'types' of goods.
- VP Mr Jerker will advise canteen if they wish to operate on the day via a stall or be open premises.

Unicef walks operational problems

- We are short volunteers for both days.
- The ratio is of children to volunteers is concerning.
- We will be actively recruiting more volunteers through facebook and reiterating on whatsapp groups a sense of urgency.
- Solutions: utilizing weekly letter to promote request for volunteerd and also the newly formed coffee community group.

Communication discussion

- Is the class rep role effective enough? How can this be fixed?
- Could there be a PA section in the Principal's letter? Option?
- Secretary to send a text of what is CURRENTLY happening or requests from PA.
- Be direct with messages … WE NEED THREE VOLUNTEERS FROM GRADE TWO.
- Add a sense of urgency and reality that if x-number of volunteers are not present some events may not be possible in case of off- site class field trip CAN NOT place!

PARENT QUESTIONAIRE

- School is looking into a parent/student questionnaire.
- There are genuine efforts being made to address bullying and conflict.
- This is an issue that is ongoing and school is fully aware and committed to this.
- We have brainstorming sessions happening during Principals morning coffee to get feedback from parents about the school policy.

Art Night April 29th 2019

Outline at this point; 1

- Art work will be assembled at 2pm by the Art Dept.
- Winning bids will be closed and announced 6.45pm.
- Funds will go towards art room.
- Winner needs to be there until the end to pick up the art work ON THE NIGHT.
- Or next bide will get the art work.
- PA will set up the biding table and registration.
- This Is ensure smooth organizing of bids away from the piece of art work.
- Tea and Coffee will be provided by the art department, no PA assistance required.

Parent workshops with counsellors

- Parenting workshops are going ahead.
- February 24th 2019
- First workshop ever!
- Aim is for parents to share their knowledge.
- It is an opportunity to learn from each other and create a platform to assist others.
- Parent participation is crucial for the workshops to be a success.

Ramadan Project

- PA participation? 2nd BOOT SALE?
- To take place in the evening because of the weather.
- Other schools will attend and three scientist guest speakers.
- Toy clinic for lower grades.

Next meeting for PA and members at large

- February 18th 2019 quick follow up to confirm boot sale project and members at large on 11th March 2019.