

# British International School of Houston Parent Teacher Organization

## Membership meeting - Minutes

Date: May 17th 2023

Presents from the board:

**VP- Programs-** Martha Quintero

**Secretary –** Claire Allard

**VP- Neighborhood reps-** Susan Lam

**Communications Chair-** Kym Kettler- Paddock

**Volunteer Chair-** Ann Schade

**Fundraising chair-** Katrina Abel

**Fundraising chair delegate -** Lindsey Glasco

**Neighborhood rep delegate-** Lori Worley

**School Delegate –** Principal Barrie

**Hospitality Chair –** Oxana Dubrovina

**Parliamentarian:** Liz Caroll

**From the new board:** Charlene You, Truda Esselmont and Karen Lackenby

Excused from the board:

**President-** Yasmin Wilkinson

**Treasurer-** Olga Takhtarova

**Used Uniform chair-** Servane Remnant

The meeting started at 08:50 and was led by Kym. The quorum was met.

## Agenda

Summer Fayre Budget

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The revised budget for Summer Fayre is at \$3,200 instead of the initial \$1,600. The PTO has raised enough money to cover the revised budget.

Kym motioned to approve the revised budget at \$3,200.

Martha seconded the motion. All were in favor, no nays, the motion is approved.

Concerns were raised about the high water consumption of the water slide. It was agreed to look at a more sustainable solution for next year.

The entrance fee (wristbands) will cover all the fayre expenses with the aim to be break-even. The funds that the PTO currently has (and will recover with the entrance fees) constitute the PTO cash flow for next year's events.

Questions were raised on how to make the Fayre more appealing to older kids. Year 13 will have already graduated and Year 11 will be in the middle of their exams. So the remaining years are 9 and 11. Options to have a climbing wall and bull are too expensive (\$1,400 and \$700 respectively). Any other ideas are most welcome.

The rules for CAS students have been changed and we can no longer have them involved in some activities. They could maybe take over the food sales.

The meeting was closed at 9:00am.