

The International School of Macao Parents' Association (TISPA)
General Meeting
Tuesday, 6th June 2017, 1:30pm
TIS – Conference Room
Agenda

Present

Nicole Hammer	Laura Clarke	Diane O'Keeffe	Nick Chignall
Kat Scott	Mary-Anne Jasinski	Sarah Luvisutto	Chris Coates
Wayney Hsie	Louise Kewley	Chris Ho	Connie Johnson

Apologies: *Howard Stribbell*

Minutes of last meeting (2nd May)

Distributed on-line. No corrections noted. Accepted as correct.

Welcome

Head of Schools' Report (Howard Stribbell - Absent - Mary-Anne Jasinski)

- Many school projects are planned for this summer, the biggest one affecting the most people at school is the moving around of all of the teachers into new classrooms. The Learning Lab is going to be in the old Secondary Library and the Inclusive Department will be in the former Elementary Library. The Learning Lab will give students the chance to work with technology and get support and instruction and help facilitate the infusion of technology into their daily life. The Inclusive Department will move into a larger space so that all counsellors, psychologists, etc. will be working together under Rosanna Bawden, Head of Student Support.
- The glass bricks in the stairwells will be fixed
- Air Conditioning units will be replaced as well as lights in hallways and classrooms.
- A higher fence around the front of the school will be built and a bus gate will be added.
- The field, cantina and locker rooms project is on hold for a year.

New Head of School Update

- Multiple interviews with a panel of 4-8 people have been conducted
- Candidates range in age, experience, years of experience, years of admin experience, etc. each bringing different strengths to the role
- Each candidate will be rated in a grid format based on the official Head of School Profile description and the top three candidates will be flown to TIS in the fall. All candidates are Canadian.

Principal's Reports

Elementary (Mary-Anne Jasinski)

- The final assembly will be held on Thursday, June 22 at 8:45. No assemblies will take place on June

14 and 15.

- Clubs end this week.
- PK Orientation Evening was held in May and was well attended. New parents were given an overview of what a day look like in Kindergarten.
- Pre-K to G3 at capacity for next school year with a waitlist in place.
- Year-end celebrations have started, including a G6 Go Girls Year-end celebration and a Leadership team celebration.
- Dress-down day is June 23 (June 22 for Secondary due to exams starting on the 23rd) and the divisional theme is Beach theme.
- Staggered Entry system for the new school year: Elementary students start with orientation on August 30 (G4-9); Thursday August 31 is Orientation for SK-G3 and first day of school for G4-9. Friday, September 1st is the first day for everyone from SK and up. Pre-K is staggered over 3 weeks. Bussing starts up straight away for JK and up.
- Report Cards go home on June 28th, the last day of school. No report cards will get sent home early even if families are leaving before the end of the school term. The report cards can be mailed home if requested. It was asked how questions or concerns with report cards could be addressed, as they are being sent home on the last day of school. Ms Jasinski added that Thursday, June 29 is Collaboration Day for teachers at school and meetings can be scheduled on that day and Friday to discuss any questions regarding the report cards. It was also noted that most parents wouldn't know this and possibly a message could be sent out or posted to let parents know that this is an option for them.

Secondary (Chris Coates)

- A disciplinary item was shared with the group in regards to issues in Secondary School (Division 3 & 4) with social media. Mr Coates noted that an emergency assembly had to be called to address these issues and that students have been suspended and even expelled this past year because of inappropriate behaviour via the various social media platforms. TIS is trying to teach the students to be responsible and how to manage social media. Mr Coates referred to the recent news from Harvard, where 10 kids got offers for a place at Harvard University, and after finding evidence of inappropriate social media usage by the University, the offers were retracted. A lot of education needs to be done on digital citizenship and being an ethical person. This leads directly into the new Teacher Advisory Programme (TAP) that TIS will be introducing next year in Secondary School. It will be incorporated into the curriculum with a 40-minute lesson per week, which will address personal, social, and emotional topics. Two of the initial topics are Digital Citizenship and Academic Honesty and are being planned now. In order to build this into the existing curriculum, some shifting in the schedule is necessary. The proposed new schedule allows for the TAP lesson and also solves the problem of a split Period 3 in the Secondary School schedule. Please see attached the proposed new schedule and different options. Feedback is requested and welcome and a parent evening talk will be scheduled prior to rolling out the new programme.

Treasurer's Report (Connie Johnson)

Community Day Revenue: \$16,520; Profit: \$9,192

Pop-corn day Profit: \$1,213

Arts Night: \$4,055

Total amount in the bank: \$213,698

Events Report

Events since last meeting:

- **Community Day**
- **TIS Disco**
- **Dress-Down Day Popcorn**
- **Arts Night**

Upcoming events:

- **Dress Down Day - Elementary (June 23); Secondary (June 22) Beach Theme**
- **Other upcoming Events**

General Business

- TISPA funding the new House shirts being introduced next year. Approximate cost is \$75,000 MOP. An official vote was conducted and unanimously approved to fund the full cost of the House shirts.
- Kat Scott thanked Louise Kewley for organising another successful Arts Night event and also thanked Mr Chignall for his help on the Community Day Committee and helping improve the upcoming Community Days.
- The goal for TISPA and the Community Day Team is to get more families involved next year.
- More supervision staff have been requested at the Kiss n' Ride area at pick up time which will be implemented next year.
- The Welcome TISPA Coffee Morning to be scheduled for the first Thursday morning in September.

Confirm date for next meeting Next General Meeting date confirmed for Tuesday, September 12 at 1:30pm. in the Conference Room.

澳門國際學校家長會 (TISPA)
常務會議
2017年6月6日(週二)下午1:30
澳門國際學校會議室
會議議程

出席者

Nicole Hammer	Laura Clarke	Diane O’Keeffe	Nick Chignall
Kat Scott	Mary-Anne Jasinski	Sarah Luvisutto	Chris Coates
Wayney Hsie	Louise Kewley	Chris Ho	Connie Johnson

缺席者: Howard Stribbell

上次會議紀要 (5月2日)

已於網上發佈。無須更正，確實無誤。

歡迎

校長的報告 (Howard Stribbell – 缺席 – Mary-Anne Jasinski 代主持)

- 今年暑假學校有多個裝修工程項目進行，其中一項影響最大的，便是要搬新教室。學習實驗室 Learning Lab 將於中學圖書館舊址，而學生輔導處將於前小學圖書館。學習實驗室能為學生提供與科技結合的學習、獲得支援和指導，促使他們將技術融入日常生活中。搬進更大的辦公空間使學生輔導處的輔導員及心理學家在更大的工作空間裡，由部門主管 Rosanna Bawden 帶領一同工作
- 更換梯間的玻璃磚
- 更換空調機組及走廊和課室的燈
- 將設置學校外圍高欄以及巴士閘門
- 操場、餐廳以及更衣室設置計劃待定研究

新學校負責人職程

- 與一個由四至八人組成的小組，進行了多次會談
- 候選人無論是年齡、經驗、年資或是任職管理層年資等，都各有優勢
- 根據學校負責人聘任要求及指標，各候選人已經過甄選評分。得票最高的三位將於秋季飛抵本校。全部候選人均為加拿大人。

校長的報告

小學部 (Mary-Anne Jasinski)

- 6月22日(週四)上午8:45舉行最後一次早會。6月14及15不再舉行早會。
- 課後興趣班本週結束。
- 5月份舉行的幼兒教育一年級講解會出席者眾，會上向新生家長展示幼兒日常上課情況。
- 幼兒教育一年級至小學三年級學額已滿，並有後補名單。
- 學期末各種慶祝活動已經展開，當中包括小學六年級的「Go Girls」期末慶祝會及學生領袖慶祝活動。
- 6月23日為便服日(中學部便服日提前一天，以避免6月23考試日)，主題為海灘。
- 開學上課安排：小學四年級至初中三年級學生8月30日為迎新日，翌日正式上課。8月31日(週四)為幼兒教育三年級至小學三年級迎新日，翌日正式上課。開學首三週為幼兒教育一年級分組上課時期。幼兒教育二年級及以上學生在正式上課後便可使用校巴服務。
- 成績表只會於6月28日學期結束當天派發，提前離校之家庭亦不能提前領取，但可要求學校透過電局寄送。有人問到成績表在學期最後一天派發，家長如何反映問題時，Ms Jasinski謂派發成績表的翌日為教師日，有需要之家長可於6月29日(週四)聯絡老師，約談翌日進行討論。有人建議學校發佈相關訊息，讓更多家長得悉有關安排。

中學部 (Chris Coates)

- 針對中學部(初中一年級至高中三年級)學生在使用社交媒體時的紀律，Mr Coates謂已安排一場緊急性的早會，討論因為去年不恰當使用社交媒體而被學校列入觀察或退學的學生問題。Mr Coates又提到最近哈佛大學發生的事情，十名原本獲該校錄取的學生，後因被校方發現不恰當使用社交媒體而遭撤回學位。教育工作者應教導學生對自身的網絡行為負責，做個道德公民。明年中學部新增的「老師諮詢計劃」課程內容除會涉及有關主題之外，還包括個人、社交以及情感等，課程時數每週四十分鐘。課程最先的兩個主題已定為「正確使用社交媒體」以及「學術誠信」。而為了將有關課題排放在恆常的課程中，上課時間表需稍作調整。調整後的上課時間除允許「老師諮詢計劃」排進課程之外，還將原本分上、下時段的第三節課合併。請查閱附件中的新上課時間表。歡迎上述安排發表意見，稍後亦會安排一場家長會，講解新課程計劃。

財務報告 (Connie Johnson)

同樂日收入：16,520 元；剩利 9,192 元

爆谷日剩利：1,213

藝術之夜：4,055 元

銀行戶口總金額：213,698 元

活動報告

自上次會議後舉辦的活動：

- 同樂日
- **TIS Disco**
- 便服爆谷日
- 藝術之夜

即將舉辦之活動：

- 便服日—小學（6月23日）；中學（6月22日）沙灘主題
- 即將舉辦的活動

常務事項

- 家長會資助了明年推行的「團服」計劃。預計成本為 75,000 元。早前已完成投票，一致通過全額資助 T 恤製作。
- **Kat Scott** 感謝 **Louise Kewley** 組織了一場成功的藝術之夜活動，又向 **Mr Chignall** 就召開同樂日委員會以及改善日後同樂日安排等事宜，表達謝意。
- 家長會及主辦同樂日的團隊希望明年可以吸引更多家庭參與。
- 由明年開始將有更多員工在 **Kiss n' Ride** 協助學生放學。
- 家長會早餐會定於 9 月首個星期四舉行。

下次會議日期 會議日期定於 9 月 12 日（週二）下午 1:30 於會議室舉行。