

# AUS PTSO

## Minutes of the Meeting

**Date: 10<sup>th</sup> May 2015**

**Time: 1.30 p.m.**

<b>Meeting Called BY:</b>	PTSO
<b>Meeting Type:</b>	Review/Planning
<b>Meeting Facilitator's Name</b>	Michael Winingger
<b>Names of Attendees</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Michael Winingger, AUS</li> <li>2. Taryn Pereira, AUS</li> <li>3. Rachel Eckelson, AUS</li> <li>4. Jumana Wilson, AUS</li> <li>5. Asmaa Hegazi, AUS</li> <li>6. Nura S, AUS</li> <li>7. Kimberley Seefried, AUS</li> <li>8. Reem Al Rubaie, PTSO</li> <li>9. Yasmin Al Sabah, PTSO</li> <li>10. Maria Barrett, PTSO</li> <li>11. Courtney Turner, PTSO</li> <li>12. Amani Abulhasan, PTSO</li> <li>13. Pia Dey Verma, PTSO</li> </ol>

### **I. Discussion Topic: Review of Minutes of Meeting dated 19<sup>th</sup> April 2015**

<b>Discussion Summary</b>	The Minutes of Meeting held on 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2015 were reviewed.
<b>Conclusions</b>	A vote was taken on the Minutes of the Meeting and was met by a 100% in agreement.

### **II. Discussion Topic: Spring Concert**

<b>Discussion Summary</b>	The First Annual Spring Concert is scheduled for 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2015. The Elementary and Middle School will have separate concerts at separate timings and parents are to be invited by the school to attend the same at the PAC.
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### III. Discussion Point: International Day

<b>Discussion Summary</b>	International Day at school is scheduled for the 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2015. Each grade has been researching a country in preparation for the International Day. On 21 <sup>st</sup> May, the students will be given a 'passport' to visit each 'country' and a schedule has been drawn up for each grade.
<b>Conclusions</b>	Help from parents is needed for food, traditional costumes, decorative items, music, craft items and help at the booths.
<b>Items of Action</b>	<b>Responsible Person</b>
1. Email from PTSO to all parents inviting help. Food and decorative items can be brought a day earlier or at 8 a.m. for the Elementary school and 1 p.m. for the Middle School. Parents are to be requested to specify the ingredients in the food they send in order take care of food allergies. Parents who want to help decorate can do so after school hours on 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2015.	Amani Abulhasan

### IV. Discussion Point: New Teachers for Academic Session 2015-16

<b>Discussion Summary</b>	The Orientation program for new teachers joining for the Academic session 2015-16 was shared with the PTSO. The possibility of having parents invite new teachers to share the Kuwaiti culture with them was discussed alongwith suggestions of organizing a Winter camp for the Teachers.
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### V. Discussion Point: Suggestions from the Student Council

<b>Discussion Summary</b>	Rayan, the Elementary School Student Council member, put forth some concerns and suggestions made by the students.  <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. A no uniform policy may be introduced.</li><li>2. A trampoline for the playground.</li><li>3. Students may be allowed to use the Climbing Wall during the recess.</li><li>3. Major concern about the taste and amount food in the cafeteria. Possibility of having a desert.</li><li>4. Phones/personal tabs to be allowed for students on some days.</li></ol>
<b>Conclusions</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The suggestion of Free Dress Days was suggested.</li><li>2. The trampoline and climbing wall were to be taken up.</li><li>3. A suggestion box to be placed in the cafeteria for the students.</li><li>4. Usage of personal phones and tabs were not agreed to.</li></ol>

## **VI. Discussion Point: Summer Enrichment**

### **Discussion Summary**

The PTSO was conveyed that a Summer Enrichment program for the parents was scheduled for 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015.

**The next PTSO meeting is scheduled for 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2015 at 1.30 p.m.**

*(prepared by Pia Dey Verma)*