

To the Members of the School Conference:

Agenda

Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 15:15, in room W125

- 1. Approval of Agenda
- 2. Approval of Minutes
- 3. Britto Bear and SK involvement in building construction and renovations
- 4. Food Committee: motion to approve the new members of the committee and discussion of "new" laws
- 5. Report from the Security Committee
- 6. Geschäftsordnung: review and motion for approval
- 7. Miscellaneous:
- Parent communication with the student e-mail accounts.

Minutes of the School Conference March 14, 2018 at 15:15 h

In attendance:

Administration: Brian Salzer, Steffen Schulz

Teacher Representatives: Andrew Rockenstein, Anne DeTarr, Malte Schroeder, Timm

Jones, Gabriele Jendretzski

Parent Representatives: Kimberley Schneidereit, Lars Bespolka, Anja Kamradt,

Kristen Winkler, Peter Schier, Nelly Heidbrink

Student Representatives: Maya Lugani, Tillmann Sherwood, Lars Brown-Heidenreich,

Miles Grant, Henry Jackson

Hort Representative: Svetlana Ostojic

1. Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was approved unanimously, with one change that TOP 6 be deferred to the next meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the last three meetings were approved: March 22, 2017 unanimously approved. October 11, 2017, unanimously approved. January 17, 2018, were approved with one change, as such: Members of the Security Committees are, Peter Schier, Lars Bespolka, Steffen Schulz, Brian Salzer.

3. Britto Bear and SK Involvement in Building Construction and Renovations

Kristen Winkler reported from the parent community. Complaints from parents were received by the PCB. Controversial work of art was placed on school property without the former knowledge of the larger community. According to the school law, large construction projects need to be presented to the SK. The students would have also liked to be informed or consulted in advance. The question arises: At what level does a construction project need to be presented to the SK? A proposal for a motion was made to define large construction measures to include amongst others, those of large monetary value, large impact to the community and large in the sense of size, which shall be presented to the School Conference, as per Paragraph 76 (3.4) of the school law. A motion will be made at the next regular SK meeting.

4. Food Committee: Motion to Approve the New Members of the Committee and Discussion of "new" laws

The SK is responsible for choosing the caterer and quality control. The SK decides on members of the Food Committee. A list was distributed to the SK members for review. Mr. Jones will ask the Food Committee how the members are selected. A vote was taken 12-0-0, to approve the current members for the School Year 2017/2018.

5. Report from the Security Committee

Progress continues to be made. Security Concept was submitted to the District and the Senate. It lays out certain key steps that need to be taken. Herr Rackles has given directions to take action. Letters went to Herr Mückisch and Herr Weese from the District. Herr Rackles requested that an Working Group be formed. Herr Mückisch doesn't have any personnel to form a working group. Senate and District need to get together to make a plan, get 3 cost estimates, and make a decision on who gets the contract bid. Our hands are tied until the Senate and District make the move to release the funds to the District, so that we can get started.

6. Geschäftsordnung: Review and Motion for Approval

Tabled until next meeting

7. Miscellaneous:

Parent Communication with the Student E-mail Accounts

Nelly Heidbrink asked if it would be possible that parents get a .me account, so that the students can forward important information that they receive from the school to their parents. Mr. Salzer said that this was not the intention of setting up the school's intranet and that the students are taught to be responsible to follow up on the information sent to them from the school. Students can copy and paste the information and send it to their parents from another email account, if necessary.

German Assistant Vice Principals Update

Herr Schulz gave Frau Waldschütz the SK "opinion pole" results. Frau Waldschütz has decided to forward both candidates to the ED. A discussion took place regarding the requirement of a simple majority for 1 candidate or the requirement of 2/3 majority for two or more candidates. A vote should take place next week with our recommendation to the ED about the German Assistant Principal position. One candidate was not recommended to the ED, but Frau Waldschütz still pushed her through. A discussion of how to interpret the power of SK was held. Questions regarding the new changes in procedure took

place. This should be discussed in the "Move to the Senate" Working Group. Interpretation of school law regarding the role of the SK decision making. Anja Kamradt and Kristen Winkler will visit Frau Waldschütz to try to clarify certain issues.

Storm warnings

Crisis Team discussed the storm warning. Information as to how we deal with storm warning should be made available on the website.

Organization of Motions

Three parents are organizing the motions from the last years, and consequently the Minutes. It is a long-term but necessary project.

Submitted by: Kimberley Schneidereit