

# Skagerak Parent Council Meeting

## Minutes – 4 March 2019



**Attendees:**

Rowella Hansen (PC Chair)  
 Shelby Sissener  
 Roxanne Kapperud  
 Ørjan Myrvold  
 Gretha C. de la Garza  
 Nurhaslisa Romli  
 Johan Dag Steen

Eigil Kvernmo  
 Regina Esteves

**School Representatives:**

James Tester  
 Yvonne Folan  
 Walker Cooper (Student Representative)

**Next Meeting Date**

Monday, April 1, 2019

**ACTION**

**Previous matters of discussion**

Barnevakten visit to Skagerak - February 28<sup>th</sup>.  
 Slides from presentation to be made available to parents.

Walker Cooper

School electricity usage for e-vehicles:  
 Used only by members of staff with long commutes.  
 Three staff members utilizing usage at this time.  
 Request for charging stations through Q-Park.  
 Electricity at existing school charging points unavailable after 4 pm.

Board Member applications – March 8<sup>th</sup> deadline. March 25<sup>th</sup> start of interviewing process.

SAIL information evening:  
 Parent Reps to collate questions from perspective classes.

**Treasurer Report**

Finalizing Fantasy Night expenditures – request for invoice.  
 3D printer purchased for Makerspace with requests for other items to follow.  
 Distribution of funds when requested - To be discussed.

Grethe de la Garza

Rowella Hansen

**Finance Committee**

Representative not present. No news to report.

**Events Committee**

Parent/Teacher jazz evening discussed.

**Environmental Committee**

FAU group “Green Moms” meeting planned to assess parking lot safety.  
 Professional landscape designer assisting in planning of outdoor space (beautification).

<b>Student Council Report</b>	Request for pump for basketballs/shared usage with SFO.
<b>PYP/MYP Report</b>	Mr. Paul Carroll appointed to position as Finance and Personnel Manager. Effective April 22, 2019. Parent Conferences – March 20 <sup>th</sup> . Prospective student interviews.
<b>HS Report</b>	Curriculum changes every 5 years in IB program - Norwegian, English and Math. DP2 “mock exams” taking place, in preparation for testing in May. Kenya trip June 11-20. Planning future trips.
<b>Primary Area of Focus</b>	Building a Community New choir leader – Kelly Dickson. Practices to be held in HS. Color Run and Water Festival – no updates. April 27 <sup>th</sup> dugnad – Outdoor beautification and Makerspace. Kulturkræsj – June 12 <sup>th</sup> . Improve introduction to Skagerak for new students and parents. Cultural Diversity Day – June 18 <sup>th</sup> . Parent recruitment necessary. More information to come.
<b>New Business</b>	Annual Review of Policies – email sent to parents with appropriate internet links for digital feedback.  SFO request for games, puzzles, sports equipment and other age-appropriate things. Wish list to come.  Mobile phone use during school hours – policy to be reviewed  PC meetings – Change of venue to dhub. Request made for submission of Administrative reports and agenda in advance (1 week prior).
<b>AOB</b>	Skagerak library expansion and development of “Mother tongue library”.  Classroom space for extracurricular activities (ie, crafting group). Makerspace room available upon completion.
<b>April Primary Area of Focus</b>	<b>Academics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Understanding DP scores and data analysis.</b></li> <li>- <b>Review of past scores and determining trends.</b></li> <li>- <b>Understanding the IB grading system.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Please note, all parents are welcome, and encouraged to attend future meetings or alternatively, contact your Class Rep if you would like anything specific discussed at the next meeting.</b></p>

<http://www.skagerak.org/page.cfm?p=503> – link to Parent Council site

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/132211457413966/> - link to closed Facebook parent/teacher page called **Skagerak International School Community**