

Skagerak Parent Council Meeting

Minutes – 5 November 2018



Attendees:

Rowella Hansen (PC Chair)
 Shelby Sissener (PC Secretary)
 Roxanne Kapperud
 Jan Helgesen
 Ørjan Myrvold
 Nurhaslisa Romli
 Ekaterina Mezhentseva

Chris Zanen
 Yvonne Folan
 Oliana Faulkner

School Representatives:

James Tester
 Walker Cooper (Student Representative)

Next Meeting Date	Monday, December 3, 2018	ACTION
Parent Discussion	<p>Y11 - sharing parent contact information between each other and privacy concerns. Parent emergency contact numbers for those that do not live in the local area. Idea to implement a system of sharing emails and contact information at the start of school year. High school student handbook and intervention through school and local authorities regarding challenges of Y11 students living on their own</p>	
Approval of previous minutes	<p>October PC minutes to be posted on the school webpage.</p>	Cindy Hvidsten
Matters for Decision	<p>Funds for MY basketballs / 580 kr for 3 basketballs - insufficient quorum (non-present PC members must vote via email)</p> <p>“Funds for Sewing” after school club seeking donation through PC. Equipment shopping wish list = 11,700 kr. Insufficient quorum. Suggestion to request donations through Facebook page (parents may have items on the wish list). Sewing Club’s shopping list will be made available.</p> <p>Kenyan marathon runner support – marathon passed, but fundraising to continue for Maasai Wilderness Trust through GoFundMe. Fundraising by PY and HS necessary. Only HS fundraising to date. PC donation may create more interest by PY parents and students. No specific amount requested. Insufficient quorum.</p>	Rowella to send out email to voting PC members

Electoral Committee Representative to Board - continued search with no volunteers. Representative must be from the Parent Council.

Matters for Discussion

PC meeting questionnaire results:
Majority of responses prefer to keep PC meetings standing at 7 pm.
Parents expressing interest in childcare during meeting in order to attend: 14 votes NO / 12 votes YES

Rowella to send new questionnaire

Treasurer Report

Redistribution of questionnaire with focus on changing PC meeting time to 6 pm to accommodate those with childcare needs.

No changes to finances until Fantasy Night financial report is received.

Events Committee

Thanks to student council for helping with Fantasy Night!
More student involvement during school hours for setting up needed next year.
Extra cakes went to the HS to sell for fundraising.
Winter Performance scheduled for December 13, 2018.

Financial Committee

Financial report available next week.
Foreningen "Aktiv Barn for Framnes" – Total funds <50,000 kr.
Possibility of creating separate committee to research available funds (ie DNB, Statoil), as is very time consuming. Portal available on Sandefjord Kommune page for resources of money. September (start of school year) is typically deadline for applications.
Possible financial goal – Gaupahuk. Falls into category of "Aktiv Barn for Framnes" because it is available to the Framnes community. Gaupahuk cost = 88,000 kr

Environment Committee

Creating a Skagerak Choir for parents, teachers and students to create community spirit within Skagerak. Still in developmental stages.
"Skagerak University" for parents – concept focusing on knowledge-based speakers (ie focus on dyslexia).
Possibility of guest speaker Cecilie Swift – 9A Platform: Open night questions and answers for Skagerak parents.
"Skagerak University" eventually on website.

Student Council Report

Movie night – 600 kr revenue.
MY Prom scheduled in mid-February.
HS Winter Prom – December 19th.

PYP/MYP Report

Two trips occurred in October: Athens (MYP) and The Hague (MYP Art and Math).
Swimming pool – more time to made available – SAIL group focussed on PY4 and younger students that can't swim.
New Kindergarten Assistant joined Skagerak.
"Rock and Water" – Resilience program for students.

HS Report – Yvonne Folan (HS Dean of Staff & Students)

"Feel Good Friday" – information on Facebook page.
School band in developmental stage.
Vending machine purchase for HS?
Canteen invigoration – collaborate with Café Vintage to supply food after 2 pm. Possibility of warm food after 4 pm.
Funds needed to create a garden with seated areas on campus – does this meet "Aktive Barn for Framnes" requirements for fundraising possibilities?

**November
Primary Area
of Focus –
Oliana
Faulkner (Y11
student)**

“Culture and Community”

Personal project by Oliana Faulkner (Y11).
Cultural diversity between students – building stronger community through school and the Sandefjord community.
Create a club to bring MY and HS students together with after-school events (including parents).
Upcoming event – Thanksgiving pot-luck dinner.
Other event idea – Color Run for Holi.
PC can contribute by advertising future events and offer any resource ideas (ie Café Vintage).
Task group in MY to be created.

Confirmation of date? FB page?

AOB

Request to add message to Facebook page about short-term (15 minute) parking restrictions – for Kindergarten drop-off.
Vacancies on the Board – PC members best suited?

Please note, all parents are welcome, encouraged to attend future meetings or alternatively, contact your Class Rep if you would like anything specific discussed at the next meeting.

<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**