

The Island School Board Meeting
March 19, 2015

Members in Attendance: Margo Freeman, Jen Campbell, Jill Chatham, Mary Keevil, Skip Branin, Maureen Ruetters, Donna Lutton, Pat Jeffs

Special Attendee: Jean Thompson, Head of School

Public in Attendance: Vicky Winterer, Island School Foundation

The meeting was called to order at 3:30PM and the motion was made to waive the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting. The motion carried.

Foundation Report: Ms. Winterer reported that the informational meetings were moving along well. The next meeting will be held at the Keevil residence. There has been a very positive response from the public, raising awareness of The Island School. This has resulted of school visits by several of the guests who have attended the meetings.

Ms. Winterer also informed us of a press release that will be published in the Boca Beacon announcing the increase in fund raising for the Foundation.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Branin reported that the school finances look healthy and should be well ahead of budget.

The net proceed from the Million Dollar Shootout golf tournament fundraiser is approximately \$105,000.00.

Head of School: The Island School By-Law amendment was approved and voted on. It was seconded and passed.

The Island School Enrollment Policy was addressed and will be reviewed in the near future.

The revised Charter was reviewed and voted on. The motion moved and was seconded.

Ms. Thompson reported that there have been tours of the school taken by potential students, community members and visitors.

There are currently 57 students enrolled for the 2015-2016 school year. Open enrollment ends the last day of March. The breakdown of classes are as follows:

Kindergarten-7

First grade-9

Second grade-14

Third grade-9

Fourth grade-9

Fifth grade-10

Board member, Maureen Ruetters along with local horticulturist, Woody Thayer, took the Kindergarten and first grade students on a garden tour where the students learned about seeds and some of our local plants.

Ms. Ruetters is also organizing the planting of a garden on the school grounds. The students are excited and the parents interested.

The Island School has petitioned the Boca Grande Woman's Club for a \$40,000.00 grant-\$20,000.00 to be used for professional development and \$20,000.00 for instructional materials.

Ms. Thompson discussed the possibility of additional staff due to the increased enrollment.

New Business: No new business-all reported above.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45PM.

The next Island School Board meeting (Annual Meeting) will be held on Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 3:30PM

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BE THANKFUL
BE APPROACHABLE
SMILE & MOVE