

The Island School Boca Grande Board Meeting Minutes
March 8, 2018

Members in Attendance: Mary Keevil, Skip Branin, Margo Freeman, Pat Jeffs, Chris Reecher, Sue Heldrich, Donna Lutton, Maureen Ruettgers, Leslie Barrett

Special Attendee: Jean Thompson, Head of School

The meeting was called to order at 3:40PM. The motion was made to waive the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Branin reported that The Island School finances are sound. The results from The Island School Foundation Board golf fundraiser are not yet finalized but expected to meet the budgeted amount. The annual fund donations were above the budgeted amount, in part due to a matching grant from an anonymous donor.

Head of School Report: Ms. Thompson reported on the following topics:

Enrollment: Current and Projected, 1 student has left and a new kindergarten student has started. Currently 9 fifth graders and 1 second grader will not be returning. There will be 10 openings for the coming school year. There are 13 applicants for the 10 slots for the 2018-2019 school year-this will result in a lottery for those 10 slots. The lottery is scheduled for April 4 at 3:30PM at The Island School.

Assessment Testing: Writes testing for 4th & 5th grades will be held April 4. All other assessments will be the end of April until the end of May.

Activities: Dr. Seuss Week, Chess (currently 14 students taking lessons), Drama & Learning to Look (study of 4 paintings and a field trip to Ringling Museum to view those paintings.)

Boca Grande Woman's Club: The Island School has petitioned the BGWC for a grant to cover expenses for Professional Development (Foundations-reading program-60 hour computer course, 3-5 days at the institute) as well as for an overnight educational trip to Nature's Way for the older students. The Executive Committee of the Boca Grande Woman's Club visited and toured the school. Each classroom demonstrated their current work on white boards.

Spring Break will be March 19-March 23.

The Island School will not have a golf cart in the Fair this year due to the fact that the Fair will be held at the end of the school break.

President's Report: Ms. Keevil reported that The Island School Foundation Board will host a thank you party at the school for donors to the Secure the Future campaign on April 15.

New Business: No new business-all topics are covered above.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45PM

The next Island School Board meeting (the Annual Meeting) will be held on Wednesday, April 11 at 3:30PM

Respectfully submitted by Donna Lutton, Island School Board Secretary