

INTERSCHOOL COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT

March 29, 2022 – 9-10:00am
via ZOOM

ATTENDEES:

Sindy Agudelo-Nelson, Mini Grants Chair
Laura Banchemo, Goddess, Communications
Randi Berry, Member-At-Large
Shirley Clifford, Treasurer
Jenia Keating, Co-President
Ali Liu-Brown, Member-At-Large
Cheryl Masterman, Co-President
Kami Pulsifer, Parent Education Series Co-Coordinator
Lou Savastani, Member-At-Large
Dani Shaw, Luncheon Coordinator
Stephanie Tomei, Art Show Co-Coordinator
Michele Vessal, Co-Vice President, Communications

3/1/22 Minutes Approved Laura B. moved to approve the 3/1/22 minutes, and Jenia K. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report Shirley C. reported that our local Bryn Mawr Trust branch successfully merged with WSFS Bank. We are continuing to work out the issue of maintenance fees. We are waiting on three schools' MiniGrant contributions for the 2023/2024 grant cycle. We have \$14,630 in the General Fund and \$12,940 in the MiniGrant fund. She is corresponding with Sarah Altman the Lower Merion Education Fund and Main Line Reform Temple billing issues. Cheryl M motioned to increase the Luncheon budget line from \$2,500 to \$3,000, and Jenia K. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Incoming ISC Executive Committee Cheryl M. reminded the current Executive Committee that we will need a quorum to approve the 2023/2024 incoming Executive Committee on April 5th at 9:15am via Zoom. Cari Bryce must leave slate as a Member

at Large, because she will remain as Merion Elementary's HSA Co-President, preventing her from joining the ISC as a voting member. Cheryl will instead ask her to serve as Merion's ISC Representative.

ISC Art Show Recap Stephanie T. and Jessie B. produced a great Art Show this year, with positive feedback and inspired students. They received significant contributions for Lucy Bell's Rainbow. They thanked Cheryl M. and the District for their help in communicating Main Line Art Center's COVID policy, and they thanked the many volunteers for the event. Dates for next year are in the works. This year's Art Show Reps will be asked to stay on next year.

Parent Education Series Update Kami P. noted that the "Whole Athlete" presentation was a successful event but coincided with Lower Merion High School's participation in basketball playoffs, thus limiting attendance. The presentation offered a strong panel of experts, who fielded many questions from the engaged parents. LMSD recorded the event and will offer the video at <https://www.lmsd.org/departments/health/speaker-series> Dr. Indira Gurubhagavatula will present "The Importance of Sleep in School-age Children" on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at 7:00 pm via Zoom. This coincides with National Sleep Awareness Week. She is a pulmonologist and has children in LMSD. Megan Shafer will join her to answer questions on the district's status on this issue. She and Lisa P. will meet with Adil Nure in May and or June to draft next year's Parent Education schedule.

ISC Mini-Grant Update Sindy A.N. reported that we have received 33 applications from eight schools; we are hoping for applications from Belmont Hills ES and Penn Wynne ES before the application deadline. She shared that there were many BRMS applications and noted Sarah Stout's support of the MiniGrants. Reimbursement forms are trickling in, and Sindy will work with LMSD's Bianca Barnes to reimburse them for items ordered through the LMSD Business Office. \$5,000 has been given out thus far. Monica Romeo is onboarding nicely as the incoming MiniGrant Chair and is crafting a survey to past recipients to solicit feedback and photos of final projects. The Review

Committee will meet Friday April 29, 9am-12pm. For the Luncheon's photo display, she will check the DropBox account for prior displays and asked for Lou S.'s help with a PowerPoint or movie.

Luncheon Update Dani & Cheryl M went to Hymies to coordinate the menu choices, settling on corned beef, turkey and veggie offerings. In the Evites, we will offer these options. Denise hasn't sent us the list of LMSD emails yet. Our theme is "Picnic." Desserts will be offered in a buffet. Music may be provided by Welch Valley MS students, but we need to confirm their eighth graders' Move Up Day schedule. Dani asked for 5 volunteers to set up. She will use simple potted flowers in baskets (volunteered by Laura B.) or white cubes (volunteered by Randi B.) as centerpieces. LMSD has a slide show of Art Show pieces that we can screen during the event.

Submitted School Board Committee Report Questions LMSD now offers a [Reporting Form](#) as part of their "Contact Info" page of lmsd.org. Cheryl M. emphasized that if any issues are not recorded in an employee's file, then the administration cannot act on it later. Reporting forms will go to the future DEI administrator and Supt. Mumin. Randi B. asked for a tradeoff for next week's policy meeting, Wednesday 4/6/22 at 8:30am, and Ali L.B. offered to cover it.

Upcoming Hot Topic Meetings:

- Restorative Practices - Tuesday April 5th, 9:30am (also voting on new ISC Executive Board slate)
- State of the District (ZOOM) - Tuesday May 10 9:30am

Upcoming ISC Exec Board Meetings:

- Tuesday May 3rd, 9:00am
- Tuesday 5/31, 9:30am - Exec Board Transition Meeting @ Cheryl's house
- Tuesday 6/6, 9:30am - Incoming Presidents/Treasurers Meeting (Zoom)

Upcoming Parent Ed Events:

- Tuesday, 4/26, 7pm - "The Importance of Sleep in School-age Children" (Zoom)

With all business covered, the meeting concluded at 10:00am.