

PTG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND HEADS OF SCHOOL MEETING AGENDA

CON-420 Thursday 20th February, 2025 at 8:00 am

Meeting Started: 08:07a

Attendees: Chris Sammons (Head of School), Cindy Adair (Cross Campus Principal), Cheryl Rego (Alumni and Marketing Manager), Matt Seddon (Secondary Principal), Sarah McCormack (Primary Principal), Rachel Jones (Head of Admissions, Pao Tantiprasongchai (PTGChair), Knitting Triyanond (PTG Vice Chair), Apollo Chansrichawla (PTG Primary Rep), Dennis Stech (PTG Treasurer), Soreda Parinyanusorn (PTG Thai Rep), Chris Huang (PTG Secretary), Karina Chattlani (PTG Communications), Anchal Pathela (PTG Events), Sumedha Rawat (PTG Tiger Shop), Sharan Hora (PTG Secondary Rep)

Apologies: Craig White (Business Development), Alice Curwood (Cross Campus Assistant Principal Extra Curricular Sports & Activities),

- Business carried over
 - None
- School Updates and Reports

Cross Campus (Cindy Adair)

- CIS Year Zero begins in 2025/2026 with Patana hosting a 4-day pre-engagement visit by CIS
- Waste Less week 10 was a big success
 - Student groups will be running the Green Stall Awards at Fun Day
- Library 6 March is World Book Day and the Library would like to have parents involved by participating in a video mentioning their favourite book. Please see Kh. Waree in the Secondary Library if interested
- CPL 14 March at 8am in CON-420 parent workshop hosted by Lisa Lowe –titled "Supporting Your Child's Development Understanding, Early Brain Development Understanding, Early Brain Development and Parent Influence"
- Sports The start of "Mad March"
 - SEASAC swimming, MUN, gymnastics (Sports Hall 13-15 March), softball, badminton
 - o FOBISIA climbing, tennis, swimming, golf
 - Tiger Cats Dance Showcase and guest artist (Insta Star)
 - o Harrow 7s

- BMAC Season 3
- Block C ECAs are underway and will be 7 weeks in duration

Primary (Sarah McCormack)

- Celebrations in Primary:
 - Creative arts Performance week and the choral festival have recently concluded. Many thanks to parents and teams involved
 - o Smile Day will be coming up on 5th March
 - Aladdin will be the Y6 drama production. It will be the second consecutive musical put on by Y6

Secondary School (Matt Seddon)

- Staff transitions
 - A few Y11 parents have expressed concern about teachers leaving in the middle of a GCSE or IB course
 - Not possible to have this not be the case which is based on teacher contracts. Teachers are required to teach across all Years 7-13
 - The school drafted a response to send this group which includes information about low staff turnover, the high quality of our applicants, and that we are experienced at managing mid-course changes to maximize the student experience

AQI

- All air purifiers have been checked and audited with staff looking at how the filters worked, how often they're changed, etc
- Lots of work has been completed with the SLT on policies and procedures
- With unstructured lunchtimes, Secondary has decided to be conservative with ball games during lunch time
- Queues at lunch
 - PTG raised a question about possible long queue times in the Secondary snack bar
 - Secondary leadership have timed the students and determined that the wait time is actually 2-3 minutes
 - Efforts will be made to promote and encourage students to pre-order snacks and lunch boxes

PCEs

- Parents have reported struggles getting taxis after PCEs
- The school is looking to get the shuttle bus to BTS, currently offered for just teachers, extended to both parents and students during exam times

Graduation

- Communication has been sent to Y13 parents regarding graduation
- School drafted this response based on the parent feedback received
- Student (Senior Uniforms and Denim)

- Students report a desire to wear coloured denim
- Matt in response says that it's not an issue
- Dr. Rodney Poole visit
 - He will support students on how to deal with drugs
 - Dr. Poole will also be advising the leadership team on work in this area, incorporating changing trends in Thailand
- Student Bathrooms
 - The school will be looking at contemporary models of bathrooms which will allow for any students in the community to use them, not just males or females

Admissions (Rachel Jones)

- The school is full in most year groups
 - This week we welcomed 3 new students
- The Admissions department is currently busy with assessments and tours
- The withdrawal reminder will be sent next week for those that will be leaving in June

Marketing/Alumni (Cheryl Rego)

- Heat Index FAQs will be posted in the Patana News with a link to it being provided
 - The link will be provided in Parent Gateway
- The Dance Academy has Broadway star (J. Elaine) who will coming to Campus to work with students
- School photos appear to be going well
 - Lots of appointment slots for parents for family photos have been added
 - Photo samples are expected around the 1st week of March. The deadline to purchase will be the end of March, with delivery of them in early May. This information will be added to the Patana News as well

PTG Chair Report (PaoPao)

- Fun Day update thanks Matt and Sarah for their assistance in making their teacher volunteers available; please pass this appreciation on to them
- Long queues at lunch (at the secondary snack bar) refer to the updates in the Secondary section above
 - Cheryl talked to Kh. Toon about it; students should provide feedback to their student delegates (JSRC representatives).
 - Kh. Toon has mentioned that student lunch boxes are available for preorder, but many Y7-9 don't know about this
 - Snacks can be ordered in the morning as well for pickup later
 - School will look at express lane for preorders only
 - o PTG will also promote preorders

PTG Events Report (Anchal)

Quiz night will be 16 May

PTG Treasurer (Dennis)1.6mil Baht in the account

Meeting adjourned: 8:58 am