

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF RIGA

Summary for School Council meetings in February 2024

On February 5th, 2024 a regular School Council meeting took place.

Amanda Romey (AR) started the meeting by presenting the Directors' report. AR provided updates on various aspects of school life, including new hires. Basketball tournaments for High School girls and Middle School boys and girls were announced, along with the completion of semester exams and upcoming mock exams for Grades 10 and 12. Additionally.

SC members reviewed and approved the Strategic Plan, the Admissions Policy, and the Academic Calendar year 2024/2025.

Afterward, Kristine Daktere (KD) reports on Admissions updates, updates from the Financial Committee as well as other updates from the Operation Manager. KD provided an overview of admissions activities, noting 17 campus tours, 12 admissions tests, and 6 admitted students since December 2023, with additional applications for the upcoming academic years. Marketing updates included improvements to the website, active social media campaigns, and successful digital advertising efforts. Financial updates highlighted the management of bad debts and upcoming changes to enrollment agreements. The discussion also touched on preparations for the financial audit, the process for budget approval, scheduled for discussion by the Finance Committee on February 9 and final approval on March 4, 2024. Harijs Kovalevskis (HK) and Vadims Grigorenko (VG) added that currently, the main topic for discussion is the approval of the budget and discussing long-term financial plans.

Continuing with the Facilities Committee, VG informs that one of the developers' calculated expenses for the new campus project exceeded ISR's budget by about 30%, rendering the project financially unfeasible.

Continuing with the Governance Committee, IK notes that the handbook's candidate evaluation section remains unreviewed but will be addressed within the next two weeks. SC members agree to organize an open Town hall meeting on March 18 at 18:00 and the length of the meeting will be limited to 1,5 hours.

The meeting ended with updates from the Child Protection Committee, where Irina Bezmenova (IB) reports that the Child Protection Committee is meeting regularly and discussing ongoing matters, additionally, training is being planned within these topics.

Please feel free to contact us at school.council@isriga.lv in case of any questions or comments.

Thank you!