

**The Island School Boca Grande, FL
Board of Directors Minutes
November 7, 2024**

Members in Attendance: Christina Reeher, Skip Branin, Donna Lutton (Zoom), Liz Verney (Zoom)
Sharon Cross

Guest Attendees: Christine Oliver, Head of School; Tom Hofmann, Island School Foundation; Barbara Wilson

The meeting was called to order at 3:40pm.

A motion was made by Ms. Reeher to waive the reading of the minutes of the special May 9, 2024, the special June 13, 2024 and emergency October 22, 2024 meetings and to approve them as written. The motion was seconded by Mr. Branin. All members voted in favor and the motion carried.

New Business: Please see items covered below in President's Report and Head of School Report.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Branin reported that the finances of The Island School are sound and close to budget. A motion was made by Ms. Cross to accept and approve the Treasurer's Report. All members voted in favor and the motion passed.

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

- 1. Safety & Security:** The Zone Security Manager (Lee County) evaluated the campus and made two recommendations to enhance our security measures (window tinting and gates). Two quotes for window tinting have been obtained. One quote for all interior and exterior doors of the expansion and all interior doors of the existing school was obtained.
TIS Threat Assessment Team: Christine Oliver, Nicole Tillotson-Main, David Wharton (SRO) and Namhee Shepelew (Mental Health Counselor). Meetings will be held monthly.
- 2. Hurricanes Helene & Milton Update:** Two separate insurance claims have been filed.
Relocation Expense: Fellowship Church of Englewood
Return to TIS campus: A moving truck will be picked up Friday, Nov. 8, 2024. The move back into the TIS campus will be on Friday, Nov. 8; Saturday, Nov. 9 and Sunday, Nov. 10
Students will return to The Island School campus on Boca Grande on Monday, Nov. 11, 2024
Multipurpose Room: no lunch or afterschool for the remainder of the school year in the Multipurpose Room. Lunch will be taken in the classrooms and the after school activities will be held in the school.
- 3. F.A.S.T. Testing-PM 1 Progress Monitoring FY24 results are as follows:**

Grade 3 Reading: State Average: **185**; District Average: **182**; TIS Average: **201**
90% of students higher than state/district average
Grade 4 Reading: State Average: **201**; District Average: **200**; TIS Average: **216**
93% of students higher than state/district average
Grade 5 Reading: State Average: **211**; District Average: **206**; TIS Average: **214**
50% of students higher than state/district average

Grade 3 Math: State Average: **175**; District Average: **173**; TIS Average: **191**
100% of students same as or higher than state/district average
Grade 4 Math: State Average: **191**; District Average: **190**; TIS Average: **205**
93% of students higher than state/district average
Grade 5 Math: State Average: **203**; District Average: **199**; TIS Average: **213**
70% of students higher than state/district average

President's Report: Ms. Reecher reported on the following topics:

1. Interim President position for The Island School Board of Directors: As Ms. Reecher is relocating, this November 7, 2024 meeting is her last as Island School Board of Directors President.

A motion was made by Ms. Reecher to accept and approve Mr. Skip Branin as interim President of The Island School Board of Directors. Ms. Cross seconded the motion. All members voted in favor and the motion passed.

2. Ms. Reecher thanked the Board of Directors, Ms. Oliver and the staff of The Island School, Mr. Hofmann and The Island School Foundation Board for their support during her term as President.

New Business:

The Board of Directors and Ms. Oliver thanked Ms. Barbara Wilson for her continued support of The Island School.

Mr. Branin, The Board of Directors and Ms. Oliver as well as the staff and students of The Island School thanked Ms. Reecher for her leadership as BOD President and wished her well in her upcoming relocation.

The Board of Directors thanks all the staff, Ms. Oliver and Ms. Tillotson-Main for the Herculean task they performed in relocating The Island School after Hurricanes Helene and Milton.

The Board of Directors profoundly thanks The Fellowship Church of Englewood for their graciousness and generous use of their facilities during the cleanup of The Island School campus.

Public Comments: None

With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:23pm.

Wishing everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Respectfully submitted by Donna Lutton, Island School Board Secretary