The Island School Boca Grande, FL Board or Directors Minutes Special Zoom Meeting May 25, 2025

Members in Attendance: Skip Branin, Donna Lutton, Margo Freeman, Lisa Erdekian, Sharon Cross, Liz Verney (all via Zoom)

Special Attendees: Christine Oliver, Head of School; Lindsey McKelvy, Julie Robertson (all via Zoom)

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Branin at 3:30pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Branin to waive the reading of the minutes of the previous special meeting (May 8, 2025) and to approve them as written. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cross. All members voted in favor and the motion passed.

New Business: Elections of Officers & Directors:

- 1. Mr. Branin resigned as President effective immediately at the end of today's meeting. Mr. Branin thanked the Board for allowing him to serve as President for 6 months following the resignation of Ms. Reecher.
- 2. In accordance with TIS bylaws, a President needs to be elected to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Branin's resignation. A vacancy may be filled only for the remainder of the term in which the vacancy occurred, so the President-Elect will be serving out the remainder of Mr. Branin's term ending on June 30, 2025.
- 3. Ms. Lutton made a motion to appoint Lisa Erdekian as President to complete the remainder of Mr. Branin's term. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cross. Five members voted in favor and there was one abstention. The motion passed.
- 4. The next order of business was to elect officers for the coming 2025-2026 school year commencing on July 1, 2025.
- 5. Ms. Lutton presented the slate of officers and made a motion to elect Ms. Lisa Erdekian as President, Mr. Skip Branin as Treasurer and Ms. Donna Lutton as Secretary. The motion was seconded by Ms. Verney. Five members voted in favor and there was one abstention. The motion passed.
- 6. As Ms. Erdekian will be an officer at the end of her 2nd consecutive term, she is eligible to continue on the Board as a Director for an additional term and therefore to be elected President.
- 7. Ms. Lutton made a motion to nominate Ms. Vicky Winterer for Director to a three year term commencing July 1, 2025. The motion was seconded by Ms. Freeman. Five members voted in favor and there was one abstention. The motion passed.
- 8. On behalf of the Board of Directors, Ms. Lutton thanked Mr. Branin for stepping on to serve as Interim President following the resignation of Ms. Reecher.

Head of School Report: Ms. Oliver discussed The Island School graduation of 11 students that was held yesterday. She thanked all who participated in the graduation with special thanks to The Gasparilla Inn for their generosity and steadfast support of The Island School.

Public Comment: None

With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm. Wishing everyone a safe and happy summer!

Respectfully submitted by Donna Lutton, Island School Board Secretary