



APPROVED MINUTES

SPECIAL EXECUTIVE MEETING TO DISCUSS UPCOMING FUNDRAISING EVENT

22ND June 2021, 7.30pm

online

- Meeting Open & Welcome President (AR)

- Attendees

Surname	First Name	Role	8/6/21	Initials
Richards	Aly	2021 - President	y	AR
Banerjee	June	2021 - Secretary	y	JB
De Belin	Diana	2021 - Vice President	y	DDB
Villaymor	Cristina	2021 - Vice President	y	CV
Marczyk	Izabela	2021 - Executive & Band Convenor	y	IM
Sandrone	Luana	2021 - Executive	y	LS

- Apologies Secretary (JB)

- Juliet Steptoe
- Mary Ann Mak
- Eddie
- Rachel

- Concerns highlighted by some school parents about theme President (AR)
 - Email acknowledged and the committee is respectful of viewpoints raised.
 - The main concern highlighted was regarding "inappropriate" use of theme and clothing. The complainants believe that if not don't correctly the event may cause an inappropriate representation of the Mexican culture

- The complainants have requested we pay attention to the earlier point and accept their request to withdraw attendance from the event, in response refunding their ticket price.
- Extensive discussion undertaken within the committee. Committee members have also reached out to South American families in the community to understand their sentiment on this topic and have received a positive response towards the theme.
- All in committee agree that we are respectful to the viewpoints raised by the complainants and will refund their ticket price immediately. However, we have a majority committee agreement that the theme was chosen as a celebration of our schools cultural diversity and we shall highlight that in our communications & the event itself.
- AR made a proposal:
 - to keep event as is with consideration to Mexican sentiment while decorating and organising the event
 - to send out the email to the complainants advising that though we are not changing theme we shall be forthcoming in informing people to celebrate the Mexican culture in a respectful manner- this email will contain details of the authenticity of the food and entertainment arrangements
 - fundraising team will send email to attendees about authentic nature of arrangement & request attendees that we respect the culture that we are celebrating in this event and refrain from any inappropriate representations/actions
- 8:20pm meeting close