

Meeting of school council February 20th, 2025

Present: Anna Guðrún, Jenny, Harry Koppel, Guðrún, Briet, Guðrún, Elín, Hildur,

Who are the school council members

1. Discussion of who will be involved in the school council. Need to involve more student voice from older students in both departments. We also need representation from international teachers, students and parents.
2. How do we explain to stakeholders at all levels that the school council exists and what it is?
3. Starfsáætlun gives information about everything that we do in school. Including the school council. We need to improve the way we communicate this information to stakeholders. Anna Guðrún talked about the idea of targeted hand-outs about each aspect of the school. How do we reach stakeholders outside the school? Leikskóli parents? Community members? Alumni?
4. This council is constructed based on a legally laid-out framework.
5. Elín expressed concern that there is poor communication between leikskóli and school, and between schools and menntaskóli. This is starting to be developed in some schools, and she is bringing in a link between Ölduskóli and Landakotsskóli.
6. The council has developed from a body that just approves documents into a body that will have more power to discuss and change things.

Points brought to the meeting from 9b. and 10b.

1. Better football facilities requested, and food is a concern.
2. We can give recommendations to the parents' association to suggested what changes are required. They would like there to be salad and a greater variety of food (they find that they get the same things repeated every day).
3. More social life – e.g. opportunities for field trips etc. They would like to see more of these opportunities. E.g. visits to Harpa, going for a hike, things like that.
4. Better quality of boxes to keep materials in. Suggestion that we could have drawers or metal boxes to keep things in.
5. Félagsmiðstöð is really missed now it is not available. Students feel that the class has “fallen apart” socially. They need there to be staff to facilitate this and there was a feeling that everyone was brought together through it. Frosti staff will be coming to do something with our school hopefully at least once a month.
6. Some students know about Frosti, those who have attended have had bad experiences there especially with students from other schools.
7. Students want to be allowed to have their phones when they go on trips (to take photos and listen to music etc)
8. They feel they don't have anything to do in school if they don't have phones. Discussion of having more board games, possibly something bigger like a table football or pool table and having a pogo ball outside.

9. Parents feel that phones should not become something we bring back – suggestion that we give students disposable cameras, ipads or polaroids on trips rather than phones.
10. They would like Águst to come back.
11. Less homework (especially in Icelandic)
12. Maths tests are very demanding, and they would like them to be more accessible.
13. IT technician in Styró needed.
14. Testing regime feels very stressful for some students, they feel teachers should communicate better with each other around testing times.
15. Getting back from KR in time for school means they are often marked as absent when they are late back.
16. We should review the policy on whether students are allowed to take the bus back from KR or swimming.
17. Would like to get students together to pair up and get to know each other better.
18. Feeling that student council activities are less popular than they used to be and it is hard to motivate students to attend and participate. They feel that 10th grade set the tone for events and since they are not turning up it influences the other grades.

Points brought to the meeting from parents

1. It would be great to involve older students in supporting students in frístund. E.g. with Pokemon club or similar. Could this be a part of the after school val?
2. Could teenagers help younger students with crossing the road before and after school as a community service activity.

PISA

They will be assessing students in the Icelandic 10th grade in March. Anna Guðrún will introduce it to the students before it happens.

School Calendar for next year

1. Shared with the team to look at
2. Council would much prefer there to be smaller sets of theme days not several weeks of theme days at once.
3. Parents need to be given more information about what the plan is for theme days, where the children will be and what they will be doing. Everyone prefers the idea of having 2 or 3 sets of 2 days not an extended period of theme days.

Anna Guðrún thanked everyone for coming and said how important it is to have these meetings. We would like to have a suggestions box for the whole school where people could put in ideas for things that should be discussed at meetings like this. We would need to make sure it was secure and train students in making appropriate suggestions.

Next meeting 20th March 2025

Fundarstjóri: Anna Guðrún Júlíusdóttir skólastjóri

Fundarritari: Jenny McKeown deildarstjóri alþjóðadeildar

Skólaráð 2025-2027

Fulltrúar nemenda eru:

- o Bríet Jóhanna Arnarsdóttir 10. b formaður nemendafélagsins, fulltrúi nemenda.
- o Guðrún Regína Skúladóttir 9. bekk fulltrúi nemenda
- o Matthías Jón Magnússon 9. bekk fulltrúi nemenda, varamaður.

Fulltrúar starfsmanna eru;

- o Elín Melgar Aðalheiðardóttir, umsjónarkennari 5 ára bekkjar fyrir hönd umsjónarkennara
- o Stefanía Stefánsdóttir textíl- og myndmenntakennari fyrir hönd list- og verkgreinakennara.
- o Bryndís Helga Traustadóttir, forstöðukona frístundar, fyrir hönd annarra starfsmanna.

Fulltrúar foreldra og grenndarsamfélags:

- Harry Koppel, gjaldkeri foreldrafélags, fulltrúi foreldra.
- Elísabet Helgadóttir, fulltrúi foreldra.
- Hildur Leifsdóttir, formaður stjórnar Landakotsskóla, fulltrúi grenndarsamfélagsins.