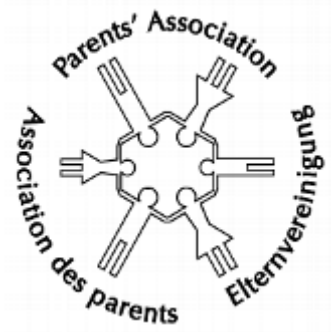


Parents' Association of the European School Munich



Minutes of the Board Meeting of 18.02.2016

The meeting was held in the premises of the EPO, Bayerstr. 34, Room 3468, from 18:35 – 20:55.

Minute writer: Manolis Papastefanou

Board Members present (15): Georg Weber, Rupert Plenk, Jean-Luc Dupuis, Conor O’Sullivan, François Girardin, Rafael Baltanás, Flavio Carsughi, Gerry Van Woensel, Dimitrios Varelas, Stefano Zanaboni, Kerstin Arenz, Günther Körbler, Anna Cattani-Scholz, Enrico Olivieri, Manolis Papastefanou.

Board Members absent: Maria Laiou, Maria Pia Ayala – Periello

Observing members of the Educational Council: Elisa Stussi (DE-HS), Uwe Bolte (DE-HS), Irene Rosin (IT-GS)

1. The chairman opened the meeting at 18:35.
2. The minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda were approved.
3. The chairman reported on the following issues:
 - Lila Container: a solution was found in that forced ventilation will be installed. The container will be ready for use in the next school year. The issue is, therefore, considered settled.
 - Canteen: finally a positive evolution! A solution has been proposed that is acceptable by all involved (BIMA, School, Caterer and the Association). It foresees the installation of a container next to the building of the restaurant where the kitchen will be relocated. The works will start from the sitting area of the canteen with the intention to finish before the end of the summer break so that the sitting area will be available from September 2016. The Fire Brigade has already given a positive opinion regarding the safety of this solution. Il Cielo has also given a positive opinion on this solution as has

the Association. The decision whether this solution will be the one to be pursued lies, however, with the school, which will bear the ultimate responsibility. The decision has to be taken by March the 5th, in order to be able to request (and receive in time) the necessary construction permits from the authorities. It was also reminded that, from a legal point of view, the Association is not involved in this matter, since the school has cancelled our contract to provide catering to the pupils.

4. Working Group (WG) Office

A first report by the working group was discussed (see also point 4 of the minutes of the previous meeting). After having discussed with the office employees, two major points that need improvement have been identified:

- The IT system: there are problems with the mailing system/procedure. Günther Körbler and Enrico Olivieri will look into the matter, in collaboration with Michael Kim-Mayser.
- There appears to be also a problem with the online registration for the Garderie that needs to be addressed.
- Sharing of knowledge and information: not all the office employees are familiar with all the aspects of the Association's procedures and with the IT system. Dimitris Varelas and Manolis Papastefanou, in cooperation with the office employees, will develop a concept for training.
- Extracurricular activities (NSA): in collaboration with the office employees in charge of this matter, D. Varelas and M. Papastefanou will check and update, if necessary, the concept of the pricing for the offered activities.

5. Flavio Carsughi presented a series of requests for financial support of several projects. The Board thanked F. Carsughi for his engagement in supporting school projects and decided as follows:

- Ritter and Novels: the IT, NL and ES pupils of HS4 will prepare a theatrical representation of important national literary works. A trip to Madrid is also foreseen. It was decided that the requested 1120 Euro would be equally paid by the budget of the corresponding language sections (SWALS for the ES).
- Saffaro: a project based on the character of Lucio Saffaro aiming at joining competences on different topics such as mathematics, physics, arts and literature. Prof. Giuseppe Longo will give a lecture to the students and also meet the parents. It was agreed that the chairman will try to take the school on board in financing at least a part of the requested 1200 Euro. The Board members will decide in a written procedure whether to finance any remaining costs.
- Italian Olympics: a project based on a language competition organised by the Italian ministry of education and addressed to all pupils learning IT as L1, L2, L3 or L4. The Board agreed to provide the requested 250 Euro for purchasing prizes for the winners of the contest.

- Kangourou: the well-known mathematical contest. The Board agreed not to provide the requested 186.5 Euro, since participation to the contest is not obligatory and every pupil who wishes to take part is requested to pay a participation fee.
- Archaeology for Kids: repetition of the successful project of last school year. The Board agreed to provide the requested 400 Euro for purchasing material to replace part of the material used last year.

6. Anna Cattani-Scholz presented a report by Interparents and urged the Board members to provide feedback. She presented briefly the main issues that Interparents is following with particular care:

- New marking system and possible impact.
- Evaluation of the reform carried out in S1 - S3 and conclusions that can be drawn with respect to the coming reform of S4 – S7.
- New working group on educational support. Flavio Carsughi is providing support on this issue.
- Collection and organisation of information regarding the legal procedures of the ES system (pupils' and parents' rights, appeals etc). Rupert Plenk will provide support in this issue.
- Collection of information regarding the IT policies of the European schools. E. Ulivieri will help in getting the necessary information from the ESM.

The Board thanked A. Cattani-Scholz for her engagement in Interparents and reiterated the willingness of the Association to provide any support necessary in order to strengthen the representation of ESM in Interparents.

7. The Board decided unanimously to nominate I. Rosin as its member. I. Rosin will be working with G. Körbler in issues regarding Transport.

8. Next meeting will be held on 15.03.2016.

The meeting was closed at 20:55.