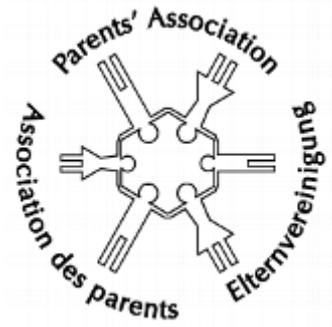


Parents' Association of the European School Munich



Minutes of the Board Meeting of

The meeting was held in the premises of the EPO, Bayerstr. 34, Room 3468, from

Minute writer: Manolis Papastefanou

Board Members present (10): Georg Weber, Jean-Luc Dupuis, Rafael Baltanás, Dimitrios Varelas, Antje Stoller, Stefano Zanaboni, Kerstin Arenz, Günther Körbler, Irene Rosin, Manolis Papastefanou.

Board Members absent: Rupert Plenk, Carolyn Casall-Bain, Sebastian Petit, George Lazaridis, Marina Conte, Gerry Van Woensel, Maria Pia Ayala – Periello, Anna Cattani-Scholz, , Enrico Ulivieri,

Observing members of the Educational Council: Mark Robinson (EN-GS)

1. The chairman opened the meeting at 18.45.
2. The minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda were unanimously approved.
3. The chairman reported about the plans of the school regarding the Kindergarten. There will be a Kindergarten also at the new site and there is the will to enhance the whole concept by offering longer opening hours and the possibility to take up children from the age of 3, both standing demands of the parent community. The idea is to have the younger children (3 and 4 years old) at the current site and the older (pre-school) children at the new site, where the primary school will, be in order to facilitate a smooth integration into the school. There are some concerns that the rules of the European schools would not allow to take up children under the age of 4, or to extend the opening hours and it may be needed that such a solution is provided in cooperation with an external provider. A working group has been created to explore the possibilities and crystallize the concept. The group consists of the director of the primary school, a representative of the EPO, a representative of the association and Mrs Franke (RUF) as an expert. If the contribution of an external provider is necessary there will be a tender procedure.

4. In the week of 16th – 19th of October the German Inspector (Mr Walz) will be visiting the school. A meeting with parents' representatives is foreseen. Main issue of the discussion will be the new marking system and its conversion to the German one.
5. The request for financial support for the project "Philosophy and Science" was discussed and it was decided to postpone the final decision so that the Board which will be elected by the General Assembly can decide on it.
6. Regarding the General Assembly, it was observed that, with one exception, there were no candidates for any of the open Board positions. Candidatures could be still submitted, but they would have to be accepted by the GA before any voting takes place. The chairman explained that the Association must have a Chairman, a Vice Chairman and a Treasurer (see Point 11 of the Agenda of the GA) in order to be able to function legally. If these positions were not filled at the end of the General Assembly, then a new General Assembly had to be called as soon as possible with the tasks: i) to carry out elections and, unless these three positions were filled by the elections, ii) the dissolving of the Association.
7. The date of the next meeting will be decided after the GA.

The meeting ended at 20.45.