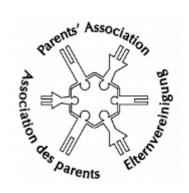
Parents' Association of the European School Munich



Minutes of the Board Meeting of 24.05.2016

The meeting was held in the premises of the EPO, Bayerstr. 34, Room 3468, from 18:35 – 20:30.

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, Maria Pia Ayala – Periello, Stefano Zanaboni, Kerstin Arenz, Enrico Ulivieri, Manolis Papastefanou.

Board Members absent: Maria Laiou, Günther Körbler, Anna Cattani-Scholz

Observing members of the Educational Council:

- 1. The chairman opened the meeting at 18.35.
- 2. The agenda and the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.
- 3. Chairman's report:
 - **Canteen:** Things are moving very slowly. The Association with Il Cielo made a final offer for an interim solution between September 2016 and January 2017. It appears that there are some difficulties in finding the necessary financial resources for this solution as the EPO hesitates to give its approval. The school will seek an offer for an alternative solution. Time, however, is running out and, although there is some optimism that a solution will be decided upon in the end, there is still no official decision. The more the decision is delayed the more likely it becomes that costs will increase.
 - **Transport:** Major breakthrough! In a meeting with the Schulreferat and the MVG the software solution for direct application by the parents to the Schulrefereat was presented and discussed. The Schulreferat proposed a different way of invoicing for

the transport, using a fixed lump sum instead of calculating for every child the distance driven. This would simplify the invoicing process and minimise protest by the parents regarding the calculation of the distance. The Board would agree with such a process, but the decision still remains with the Schulreferat. The work of Irene Rosin in this matter was praised by the Board. It was also reminded that the deadline to apply for transport in the coming school year ends in the end of May and those who will apply later they will have to wait until the places are distributed to those who have applied in time. The section representatives will send a last reminder to the parents.

- **Garderie:** It appears that some complaints have been voiced regarding the service provided by RUF. Maria-Pia Ayala-Periello will look closer into the matter. The school will make some additional rooms available for Garderie/NSA. It is contemplated to provide some space to Pauker in order to organise a group (at least) within the school. It will be probably treated as NSA with focus on homework support. There are also some discussions with another school near the ESM for the use of space in their building.
- 3. **Bac Celebration**: It will take place on 01.07. Jean-Luc Dupuis will represent the Association. A prize will be given to the pupil(s) with the best mark(s) by the Association.
- 4. Pupils' Exchanges: Rupert Plenk reported on the ongoing discussions at the level of Brussels regarding the establishment of regulations regarding the exchanges of pupils within the European school system. There appears to be a move to make the Parents' Association of each school responsible for finding a host family. The Board made clear that although the Association is ready to help and provide any support necessary, it will never accept such a responsibility. The responsibility should remain with the school, which has all the necessary information regarding the pupils and their families, information that the Association simply does not have.
- **5.** The Board approved unanimously the request of I. Rosin to purchase flowers for the director of the primary and the school secretary. They will be offered during the last meeting of the Educational Council.
- **6.** The meeting was closed at 20:30.

Next meeting will be on 16.06.2016 at the restaurant "EN PLO" – a corresponding invitation has already been sent by the office.