

## Minutes of the Board Meeting of 21<sup>th</sup> January 2020

The meeting was held in the premises of the EPO, Bayerstr. 34, Room 3468 from 6:45 pm until 9:20 pm

Minute writer: Rupert Plenk

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### Attendees:

**PA Board members:** Antje Stoller, Irene Rosin, Julien Jacoby, Marina Conte, Flavio Carsughi, Roberto Trimarchi, Rupert Plenk, Rafael Baltanás Jorge, Stéphane Fraissé, Anna Cattani-Scholz, Katia Sittler, Giorgios Lazaridis, Esteban Hernández Castelló, Caroline Müller

**Observing members of the Educational Council:** Marcela Frank

**Absent PA Board Members:** Mohan Chennupati, Gerry van Woensel, Germana Baldisseri, Martin Ratcliffe, Sofia Macieira, Adriana Vera-Merz

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### 1. Approval of the agenda

The chairman opened the meeting at 6:45 pm.

### 2. Approval of the Minutes of the last Board Meeting

The minutes of the board meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019 were approved with a small amendment.

### 3. Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that Mohan Chennupati is faced with increased workload and intends to step down. Kerstin Arenz is prepared to start again in the Parents' Association and to take over the position "Health and Security" until the next General Assembly. The Board unanimously approved the appointment ad interim under the provisions of Article 7(4) of the statutes of the PA.

There are room issues in the new site. They apply to Kindergarten and RUF.

Concerning the Kindergarten, there is an informal agreement that more rooms will be provided, however, a formal agreement has not yet been concluded.

Regarding RUF the rooms are too small and there is an issue with the jackets and school bags left wild in front of the room. Further RUF agreed on giving KiGa parents the option of booking single days (mo,wed,fr) instead of all three days only. Implementation in the systems is on its way.

Pauker has two rooms and the situation is slightly better.

The Chairman will take up the room issue with the school during the next jour fixe. There should be enough rooms available considering the originally planned number of students previewed at Fasangarten.

There was a discussion about data protection, in particular with data shared with others, e.g. for transport. Flavio Carsughi will check for possibly needed changes in the IT, e.g. make parents aware that they hand over data, that they agree to this data being used and shared with others to provide the services, etc.

### 4. Chairman's Report (not for publication)

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### 5. IT-Update (not for publication)

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## 6. Outreach Programme

Julien Jacoby informed about this programme. It is about Charity, to advise on possible projects to support. The money is collected in various fund raising events, like book sale, Xmas market, and a second hand market about to be organized by Jean Luc Dupuis. Some projects are under consideration.

Anybody interested is invited to contact Mr Asslinger (Teacher at the School) or Julien Jacoby (contact details on the EV-ESM website, Treasurer).

## 7. Canteen

Caroline Müller reported about perceived quality issues with the food. There also seem to be quantity issues, one meal being frequently sold out very fast, leaving only limited choices for the students eating later. A meeting with Il Cielo is in the pipeline, details still need to be agreed upon.

The quality may be linked to the two sites, this has potentially placed Il Cielo under stress with the number of staff they need. The choice issue is an old one, students will normally go for the preferred dish. Il Cielo cannot provide all dishes in a number to serve all eaters. That implies to throw away at least half of the prepared food. It may be worthwhile to ask at other schools about the choices and the price.

It was stated that the contract with Il Cielo has only started and runs for three years. Il Cielo may need a bit more time to adapt to the situation with two sites. When concluding the contract with Il Cielo there was no time to find another caterer, this may be done in due course. If a tender shall be run – which the EV-ESM is not obliged to do – the procedure should start now.

There is no space for a shelf to display the food on offer. Maybe a screen or a daily picture can be installed to speed up the selection process.

The level of noise in the Mensa is very high. Measurements revealed up to 90 db. It should be checked whether some sound dampening or sound deadening panels can be installed.

There is not yet a Kiosk in Fasangarten. A Kiosk requires approval by the BIMA which is unlikely to arrive soon. We may not get a Kiosk at all this year.

Roberto Trimalchi agreed to take up canteen, display, noise and Kiosk for the jour fixe with the school.

## 8. Financial Issues (not for publication)

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## 9. Progress of Pupils, Repetition of Classes (not for publication)

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## 10. Any other business

- Anna Cattani-Scholz presented an Interparents Report. Said report is not yet available on the Interparents website. Interested parents are invited to contact the EV-ESM, possibly their language representative, for details.
- Rupert Plenk reported that the EPO HR Department intends to do a brochure covering "Mitversicherung der Kinder" once the school is over. Said brochure is currently scheduled for May/June 2020. The background is that some students intend to do a gap year, following the BAC

and thus delaying university inscription. That raises question about healthcare insurance, education allowance and the like.

#### **11. Next board meeting**

The next board meeting will be on February 19th 2020.

The meeting ended at 9:20 pm

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