

**Association des parents d'élèves de l'école européenne de Bruxelles IV AISBL**

Parents Association of the European School, Brussels IV Aisbl  
Elternvereinigung der Europäischen Schule Brüssel IV Aisbl  
Associazione dei genitori della Scuola Europea di Bruxelles IV Aisbl  
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Asociația de părinți elevilor de la Școala Europeană de Bruxelles IV AISBL



**Board Meeting/Réunion du Conseil d'Administration**

**Brussels, Tuesday 1 July 2014**

**Room: J-79, 2/02 (Spa Building, rue de la Loi 80), 12.30-14.30**

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**Present:** Salima Atiaoui (part of meeting), Sarah Conyers Barber, Christian Drantmann, Marc Henriques de Granada, Horst Nickels, Joëlle Salmon, Tobias Stricker, Patrick Ten Brink, Josephine Usher, Natalia Vandenberghe, Benoît Vandergeeten, Ralph Wischermann, Eric Pietre

**Excused:** Rachid Ahajjam, Kristin Dijkstra, Jane Okafor, Carla Sabeva, Iseult Lennon Hudson, Alessandro Roggi, Martina Sindelar

**Proxies:** Salima Atiaoui to Joëlle Salmon, Jane Okafor to Josephine Usher, Carla Sabeva to Joëlle Salmon,

**Absent:** Cristina Vanberghen, Rachid Ahajjam

**Minutes (approved on September 9<sup>th</sup> 2014)**

**1. Approval of agenda and minutes**

- Approved.

**2. Re-distribution of tasks within board members**

- Discussion about the distribution of work and the excessive burden on some members of the Board. Agreed that a list of urgent tasks would be drawn up. Tobias offered to create a doodle doc of tasks for people to fill in.

**3. Brocante – Centre Medori**

- Discussion about a request to assist with a Brocante at the school next May to be organised by the Centre Medori – a CA member would need to attend in order for the premises to be made available. There were no volunteers among the CA members present. Joëlle will reply to Ms Cristina Mendes Chuva asking her to contact the new board in January.

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#### 4. **Reply to FFPE**

- Discussion about the email circulated to all Commission staff by the FPPE and the draft response prepared by Joelle. Agreed that the CA is always open to engage with parents but the FPPE has no basis on which to intervene in the way that it did – this is a Parents Association comprised of volunteer parents, totally independent from the Institutions. It was noted that the information sent by the FPPE was only partially accurate. Letter to be finalised by Joëlle and Josephine.

#### 5. **Request from Commission for operational information**

- The CA has received a request from the Commission (as have the other Brussels European Schools) to provide details about the operation and financing of the services in order that the new Commissioner has an overview of the different schools. Joëlle will prepare a response with the assistance of the office. It was agreed that if there are discussions with the new Commissioner, it may be an opportunity to raise the issue of why parents are required to provide the services.

#### 6. **Presentation of a draft Budget 2014-2015**

- Natalia presented the draft budget followed by a question and answer session from the Board.
- Extra-Curricular Activities: prices have been reviewed in detail and are on average 5 – 10% lower for all activities this year.
  - **Decision** 2014-07-01\_1: The Board decides to lower the prices in line with the budgetary proposal and these will take effect from September. (unanimous)
- Transport: Calculations allow for a worst case scenario but at present there are a large number of unknowns including the total number of lines that will be required and the number of children involved. The Board was presented with a number of options. The recommendation on the basis of the information was to keep the prices the same but this may have to be reviewed as the current calculations show a deficit.

Regarding the deficit, some families still have to pay for the second line. Further to the discussions WG services had on June 16<sup>th</sup>, the transport office will send a last reminder before the holidays and a letter from the CA will be sent to one family.

- Canteen: There were three proposals in relation to the pricing of the canteen. It was noted that any reduction in prices would have to be extended to the OIB (and this would affect the calculations).
  - **Decision** 2014-07-01\_2: The prices should be lowered by 10% to be kept under review for a potential further reduction next year. (one abstention, two opposed, 11 in favour).

#### 7. **Management of the website**

- A call for interest will be circulated in the next edition of the newsletter.

#### 8. **2013-2014 GA**

- It was agreed that the GA will take place in the week of the 8 December.

## 9. AOB

- The next edition of the newsletter will be circulated by the end of the week. Any contributions to Josephine.
- **Reminder:** Dates of the next meetings are published on our website. They should take place on: 09/09, 25/09, 07/10, 23/10, 04/11, 20/11, 02/12 and 18/12/2014.