



**Board Meeting/Reunion du Conseil d'Administration  
Brussels Thursday 16 October 2008  
SPA 3 1/1  
12.30-14.00 (CET)**

**MINUTES**

Presents: Guido Ricci, Aedin O' Byrne, Filomena Russo, Antonella Bambagini Oliva, Antonio Cenini, Agnes Trarieux, Monika Paulus, Erika Schulze.

*1 – Proposals of additions to and subtractions from the agenda.*

Additions: a) Sanctions for parents not respecting transport rules and plafond of transport costs; b) resignation from the Board of Ms Natalya Simons; c) Amendment of the European Parliament on budget for European Schools; d) delegate of BXL IV for the interparents meeting tomorrow.

*2 – Adoption of last meeting's minutes.*

APPROVED

*3 – Presentation of the draft programme of extracurricular activities. Approval of the programme is postponed.*

Mrs Carola Streul (member of the informal working group dealing with the organization of extracurricular activities) presents to the Board the programme for the extracurricular activities for the present school year. She says that a certain number of volunteer parents will be requested to collaborate in the initial phase of the activities for a smooth start of everything. The activities should start from November 19<sup>th</sup> or maybe 12<sup>th</sup>. She points out that two of the monitors are still pending, one because he has a volunteer status which has a legal refund limit, the second because she is a Hungarian citizen still waiting for a work permit. Concerning the "language club classes" originally requested by the schools during the midday pauses, Mrs Streul points out that the School has now firmly set a veto against this possible timetable so there will be no activities at all during that pause.

As far as correlative organizational aspects are concerned the President refers that a big bus can be added on Wednesdays afternoon for pupils going to garderies and that the transport



manager has proposed therefore to give priority to pupils going to garderies (save Beaulieu) on Wednesdays while on Fridays there are already the VS lines.

Mrs Schulze suggests that maybe the activities should be re-distributed during the week keeping into account the nursery pupils who don't have many choices according to the present programme. Mrs Streul points out that it is always more complex when it comes to nursery pupils because the groups have to be smaller, because they are easily tired etc. so in general this is the reason why there is not such a big offer for nursery compared to primary pupils. She also says that it is very difficult to find monitors for sport and Mrs Paulus suggests to contact the Communes of Ixelles and Bruxelles Ville that generally offer very good sport ateliers.

It is pointed out that it is important to explain the parents that the "language clubs" will be activities on a 'play level' and will not in any case be in contrast or rivalry with the official linguistic offer of the school.

It is proposed and approved to ask formally to the school when will works in the small gym be ended to allow a proper start of sport activities.

As for priority rules to follow for the inscription on Fridays, it is suggested that priority is given in this order to those pupils who at the moment have to wait for their siblings in the library and for pupils taking the bus.

As some aspects concerning the budget, organization and responsibilities are not yet complete it is necessary to POSTPONE the approval of the programme of extracurricular activities to the next Board Meeting when the Treasurer will be present.

*4 – Recruitment of a transport Manager covering also other possible administrative tasks as decided in last meeting for a total of 32,5 hours per week (a full time being 37,5).*

It is APPROVED that all the working time of this employee shall be for the transport.

*5 – INFORMATION POINT - Information Meeting this evening.*

*6 – Report on last week's Education Committee*

Mr Cenini briefly summarises the content of last week's Education Committee (more detailed minutes have been sent to Board members by e-mail) and draws the Board's attention to the request made by the school to activate two working groups made by parents



and personnel, one for transport and canteen one for issues concerning children's health and security. This proposal will be discussed and put to the Agenda of next Board Meeting

*7 – Next meeting proposal 30 october , SPA 3 1/1*

It is decided that next meeting will take place on November 6.

*8 - Any other business.*

a) the sanctions will not change and the plafond for families is fixed between 1000 and 1200 Euros.

b) the Board acknowledges the resignation of Mrs Simons.

c) the Budget Commission of the European Parliament has decided to freeze 50% of the budget for European Schools (about 200 000 Euro). This decision will be kept until a change will be made in the Enrolment Policy with the aim of avoiding that children are obliged to spend too much time in getting to school.

d) the Board accepts the offer of Mrs Carola Streul who volunteered to represent the APEEE BRU IV in the meeting Interparents that will take place at Mol tomorrow.