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Admin Board Meeting/Réunion du Conseil d'Administration

Brussels Thursday, 9th June 2016

Location: CCAB, rue Froissart 36, 1040 Bruxelles, room: AB305, 12:35-14:25

Present: Sarah Conyers Barber, Catherine Daguet-Babich, Kristin Dijkstra, Christian Drantmann, Dorothée Farwerck Lefort, Catherine Hennessy, Iseult Lennon Hudson, Gareth Dafydd Lewis, Victoria Petrova, Stefana Puiu, Sven Roehr, Tobias Stricker, Natalia Vandenberghe.

Excused: Michela Beati, Françoise Bodenez, Ulrike Gemmer, Josephine Usher.

Absent: Evangelia Fidanidis, Nóra Edit Kárpáti, Graziella Rizza.

Proxies: Michela Beati to Catherine Daguet-Babich, Françoise Bodenez to Dorothée Farwerck Lefort, Ulrike Gemmer to Gareth Dafydd Lewis, Josephine Usher to Sven Roehr.

Guest: Manuela Pamio, secretariat of APEEE, Eric Piettre, the Director of the APEEE of Brussels IV.

Minutes 9.06.2016

Mr Roehr chairs the meeting. Some items of the agenda are anticipated.

1. Working Group Communication: Day2Day Web updates and faster communication with parents.

Ms Lennon Hudson enters at 12:40 a couple of minutes later Mr Drantmann, Ms Daguet-Babich and Ms Petrova arrive.

The VP Communication and Information underlines the importance of having a faster communication with parents in urgent situations. For this purpose, some measures through e-mails and website are presented to the Board for discussion:

- Through e-mails

E-mails should be short making use of references to the APEEE website. WEB first, no more long letters to parents but rather reminders for information available on the website.

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-Through website

Only Board members concerned should draft a text to be agreed by any Vice President (the Vice-President Communication and Information should be informed). One language first is allowed and the other must follow as soon as possible. The communication could include alerts and warnings.

Mr Puiu enters at 12:53 pm.

2. WORKING Group Communication: Hiring of interim webmaster.

The APEEE of Brussels IV has not a current webmaster, a call for this position was made last year but no decision was taken.

The VP Communication and Information affirms that the website problem needs to be solved in a short time in order to have a website updated for the next school year. In this context, after the consultation with the Working Group Communication, the VP Communication and Information suggests hiring a parent of the EEBIV, an expert who can take care of our website for the technical part and the content side (language, style). This parent knows the APEEE website and has the experience and ability to respond to our website needs rapidly.

It is pointed out that a web company can't offer specific requirements and the hiring process is longer. There is a long discussion on the principle that parents of the EEBIV should not be paid to work for the APEEE of Brussels IV. Parents' remuneration could be considered as unfair to those who dedicate their time as parent volunteers for the school community (for example in the classes, Eureka etc.).

Vote to exceptionally hire a parent of the EEBIV as interim webmaster, with maximum 6 month contract and two half days a week.

Rejected by the Board with 7 votes in favour, 7 votes against and a few abstentions.

3. Presentation of APEEE statutes – highlighting the key features.

Ms Hennessy presents to the Board a first version comparing the statutes of all APEEEs based in Brussels. All members are invited to read the document submitted. Ms Hennessy has a clear idea on how the model of the statutes should be formulated. She asks to allow her to continue this interesting task undertaken together with the Statutes Working Group.

All Board members thank Ms Hennessy for her remarkable work.

4. Approval of Minutes: 24/05/2016 and 30/05/2016.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 24th May 2016 are approved with amendments (on page 2 point 7 Financial point, on page 3 Child focus meeting and on page 4 additional title 15 Various). Ms Hennessy leaves at 1:40 pm and Ms Lennon Hudson and Ms Dijkstra leave at 1:42 pm.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 30th May 2016 are adopted as corrected in track-changes. Ms Dijkstra and Ms Lennon Hudson enter at 1:45 pm.

5. Working Group Pedagogy: Approval of the WSI 2 year feedback form.

Mr Roehr leaves at 1:55 pm.

The VP Pedagogical affairs explains to the Board that two years ago the School inspectors made some recommendations to the EEBIV. This is the first time that the APEEE of Brussels IV is invited to reply to the school and indicate what could be ameliorated.

Vote on Approval of the WSI 2 year feedback form:

- > 12 in favour
- 2 abstentions

The Board approves by large majority and 2 abstentions the WSI 2 year feedback form as submitted to the Board.

Action: the VP Pedagogical affairs invites all members to send any corrections or remarks on the WSI 2 year feedback by 10/06/2016.

Mr Roehr enters at 2:00 pm.

6. Working Group Pedagogy: 1) end of the school year 2016-2017, and 2) BYOD devices.

The APEEE of Brussels IV has been informed that the EEBIV has been approached by companies interested in offering tablets for lease. Point to be followed.

Mr Drantmann and Ms Petrova leave at 2:10 pm.

7. Somerfesto important update.

Ms Lennon Hudson refers that the EEBIV and all parents are working together to have a nice and safely Somerfesto 2016.

This year all attendees and participants must be registered following a specific procedure due to security reasons. It is briefly explained how the registration process works.

Somerfesto will take place on 18th June and volunteers are needed for the APEEE stand Somerfesto.

Ms Vandenberghe and Ms Puiu leave at 2:15 pm.

8. Status of the outstanding actions.

Mr Lewis presents the status of the outstanding actions taken from the Minutes of the last two meetings.

9. Team building CA.

A team building for the APEEE Board will be held on Sunday 18th September 2016.

The meeting ends at 2:25 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 21st June.

The following points are postponed:

- Status report: services
- Remembrance memorial for Patricia Rizzo
- Publication on the "Moniteur belge"