## Optimist International School



Participation Council

Minutes of Meeting		
Date :	02/09/2020	
Subject :	OIS Participation Council	
Chair :	Norbert Werthenbach	
Attendees :	Clare Beatson Katie Zalewska Doe O'Dea	Anne-Marie van Holst Katharina Strobl-Wiltschnig Giovanni Vergottini
Absent with Apologies :	Cheryl Embleton	
Agenda :		
1	Update school guide 2020-2021 (including text about vision) – no concerns were raised and this was officially approved by the forum.	
2	Growth situation – the increase in students was discussed. Anne-Marie confirmed that more nationalities had registered for admission to the school, and the increase was unusual during this difficult coronavirus time. It is anticipated that the school will grow to 190 students by October. For the 2020/2021 school year, it is forecast to end at 208 students, but it may be as high as 218.  The current school building has room for 14 groups, of which 12 are currently used. OIS aims to have a maximum of 20 students per class. Classes who have (temporarily) more students, are provided with extra teaching support. At the end of each academic year the teaching staff and Management Team will decide if a class will remain the same or will be mixed. Depending on the number of students new to a class or leaving, in exceptional cases a group may need to be split or two groups combined during the year. Group 7 has now reached the preferred limit. A 13 <sup>th</sup> group is predicted later in the year. The physical building can accommodate 250 children.	
	The SOPOH Board was at school toda student numbers and how to accommodility. They are working on the re	modate the school in an appropriate
	The Municipality has not made it clear buying the building, but a joint decise the Board and the Municipality.	ar whether they would consider sion would need to be made between
	Anne-Marie will send an overview of	the number of students per group.
3	Tracking document budget versus actual – the forum discussed this briefly but no concerns were raised.	
4	Corona situation	

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	<ul> <li>the only change that has been documented is that children from different Mileposts are now allowed to play together outside</li> <li>Kathi raised a concern that it is not clear to parents as to when to send children to school and when not to. Anne-Marie mentioned that there are a number of grey areas, and the school takes advice from the RIVM and/or GGD. Norbert suggested that the school provide an infographic to help parents decide whether it is appropriate to send children to school or not. Kathi has received a decision tree from ISH; she will ask them whether she may share it with OIS.</li> </ul>	
5	Parking situation – the pressure on the available parking was highlighted. Although this seems to be exacerbated with parents collecting their children from the neighbouring school, Het Braambos, this is strange as their hours are 08h30 to 14h50. OIS will encourage parents to come by bike or make used of carpooling. They will also suggest to parents to start parking in front of Het Braambos, so that there are more spaces available further along the slip road to school.	
6	PREVIOUS ACTION POINTS: None	
General:		
Next Forum:		
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