

<b>Minutes of Meeting</b>		
<b>Date :</b>	09/12/2020	
<b>Subject :</b>	OIS Participation Council	
<b>Chair :</b>	Giovanni Vergottini	
<b>Attendees :</b>	Clare Beatson	Anne-Marie van Holst
	Katie Zalewska	Katharina Strobl-Wiltschnig
	Doe O'Dea	Cheryl Embleton
<b>Absent with Apologies :</b>	Norbert Werthenbach	
<b>Agenda :</b>		
<b>1</b>	OIS Budget 2020 – 2021 – discussion on this item was postponed to the meeting of 13 January 2021	
<b>2</b>	<p>The growth situation, specifically in terms of accommodation/location, is an area of concern and Anne-Marie requested the advice of the PC.</p> <p>There are currently 168 students enrolled at OIS but this is expected to grow to 190 students by January 2021. The current building capacity can manage these numbers, so this school year does not pose a problem. There should be 13 groups by the end of the year, with a possible influx group as a combination group 4/5/6 by March. This combination group will consist only of new students and should be 3 or 4 kids with possibly 9 by year-end. They would have more personalised education.</p> <p>The two rooms currently occupied by de Raeger school should become available before the Summer holiday.</p> <p>For the 2021/2022 school year we are expected to start with 14/15 groups (220/227) and expect to end with 16 groups (276). This is based on the current trend analysis. The building is only big enough for 14 groups maximum.</p> <p>In terms of growth plans, OIS is also currently busy with a feasibility study to establish whether it would worthwhile to start a child-care centre for 2/3 year olds or an after school offering. This will not materialise this year, as the board does not have the funds, but it could be possible in the 2022/2023 school year where 2 more rooms would be needed. This is an additional challenge in terms of housing.</p> <p>In terms of full capacity, SOPOH allows up to 350 students, with possibly further growth on the longer term.</p> <p>In previous discussions with the Board, they expected that the municipality would not buy the property but continue to rent it for the next 2 years. For this reason, it is most probably also not possible to erect temporary accommodation.</p>	

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	<p>The option of building a new building is possible, but would involve a timeframe of 15 years.</p> <p>As a temporary option, De Boskern may have a couple of rooms available.</p> <p>The Board have requested a draft document detailing the wishes of OIS in respect of accommodation.</p> <p>The Forum agreed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the entire school should preferably be housed in one location. This would promote a community atmosphere, support team building and encourage collaboration within and amongst mileposts.</li> <li>• pressure should be put on the municipality to offer solutions to the current housing challenge which support the above request.</li> <li>• if the municipality is only able to offer a second location for the overflow from the current location on Waddenweg, this should at least be able to accommodate 6 classrooms, so that an entire Milepost can be moved.</li> <li>• the International nature of the families and the skills they bring to the municipality should be highlighted as well as the potential increase of foreign nationals as a result of Brexit. The growth potential warrants an investment in the infrastructure.</li> </ul> <p>Anne-Marie will draft a memo addressed to the Board containing the standpoints mentioned above and circulate to the PC for review and comment.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>3</b></p>	<p>Cheryl discussed the addition of a procedure to the Safety policy for the administering of medicines to students by teachers. This procedure covers prescribed medication only and is both comprehensive and explicit. No objections were raised.</p> <p>First Aid update training is scheduled for January 2021.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>4</b></p>	<p>Corona situation</p> <p>The staff and management have followed a very careful and considered approach to the Corona crises, following stringent guidelines as suggested by RIVM.</p> <p>Although staff are not able to meet for informal chats in the common areas, the management team has tried to be more physically accessible in the classrooms. Within some mileposts, there is a stronger level of connection.</p> <p>A triage process has been followed with all external parties coming into the school.</p> <p>We have been very fortunate that Cheryl has always been able to find experienced substitutes for any teachers who have had to be absence from school due to illness or suspected Covid infection.</p> <p>As the study day arranged by the SOPOH board for 4 January is mainly in Dutch, Claire is organising a specific agenda for OIS. A trainer has been sourced for part of the day. The staff team will be refreshing skills, reviewing new technology, discussing lesson planning and so forth.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>5</b></p>	<p>PREVIOUS ACTION POINTS: None</p>
<p><b>General :</b></p>	

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<b>Next Forum :</b>	
<b>TBA</b>	13 January 2021