

MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION OF THE BMIS BOARD MEETING HELD ON 25th MARCH 2014

PRESENT

D. Pinto	DP	Chair
G. Bizzaro	GB	Board Member
S. Donker	SD	Board Member
G. Hiwa	GH	Board Member
M. Malonje	MM	Board Member
M. Cameron	MC	Board Member
S. Oddo	SO	Board Member
V. Wium	VW	Board Member
N. Bishop	NB	Director
P. Harrison	PH	Secondary Head
J. Johnson	JJ	Primary Head
W. Horea	WH	Business and Finance Manager
M. Durand	MD	PTA Representative

APOLOGIES

N. Nyirongo	NN	Board Member
C. Mead	CM	Secondary Representative

1. CALL TO ORDER

DP called the meeting to order at 18.34 pm.

2. AGENDA

The Agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the Open Session of the BMIS Board Meeting held on 25th February, 2014 were approved.

4. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

5. STRATEGIC AIMS AND PRIORITIES

5.1 Annual General Meeting

It was agreed that the Annual General Meeting should be moved from the 26th March to the 9th of April, 2014 as the auditors were still not ready with the Audited Financial Statements.

The proposal to revise the Constitution will be introduced at the AGM in order to attract feedback. One person from each of the groups represented on the Board will sit down with Policy Committee to review the proposed changes and report to the Board at the next meeting. Also to be discussed at the Policy meeting will be the powers of the Parents Association in approving the school budget.

5.2 Language Options

PH made a presentation on the language options at BMIS. He explained the IBO language framework as well as the BMIS Language Policy. Several documents on the subject were circulated.

5.3 Board Elections and Co-opted positions

5.3.1 Co-opted Replacement for Sander

SD moved a motion for the Board to approve C. Giannakis as a co-opted Member of the Board to replace him. GB seconded and motion passed.

6. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

6.1 Director's Report

6.1.1 Teacher Accommodation

NB gave the Board an update on the proposed teacher housing project. The Board agreed to continue talking with National Bank and to present them with Bills of Quantities.

6.2 Secondary and Primary Reports

The Board noted reports by PH and JJ. There were no substantial matters arising.

6.3 Administrative Report

6.3.1 2012/13 External Audit

It was noted that the final copies of the Audited Financial Statements were not circulated to the BMIS community as they had not yet been signed for by the Chairman and the Treasurer of the Board as indicated in the Administrative Report. This was due to the fact that the Auditors, Ernst & Young, had failed to submit them on time. The Finance Committee agreed to review auditors this year due to the unsatisfactory service the Auditors have rendered to the school.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no other business, the meeting was closed at 20.24pm.

Signed:..... Date:.....