

AISB BOARD MEETING Regular Session
AISB Library
January 21st , 2009

Present: David Henry (DH, *Director*) Rob Van Doeselaar (RD, *Chair*), Olivier Verstraeten (OV), Oumar Saibou (OS), Scott Reese (SR, *U.S. Ambassador's rep*), Christy Bennett (CB), Nico Barning (NB), Steve Lutterbeck (SL), Todd League (TL)

Absent: -

Others present: Randy Brown (RB) project manager and Lynn Robinson (LR) teacher's rep.

1. Opening

a. Call to order, 7:15 PM The meeting is opened by RD with a word of welcome to Mr. Diallo (Pyramidion) and his colleagues (Mr. Ba, Mr. Maiga, Mr. Chang)

b. Approval of minutes

Vote: - the minutes of the Regular Session November 23 - 2008, are approved – approved unanimously (7) (after changing point 5: OL should be OV).

c. Presentation Mr. Diallo

Mr. Diallo presented the overall plan and showed some changes in the original plan (such as the enlarging of the kitchen).

1. The phase 'avant projet detaille' (APD) has (almost) finished
2. As soon as this phase has finished, the 'phase des ingenieurs' can start (i.e. specific calculations about cement, electricity, water and sanitation, etc. will be made in this phase) According to Mr. Diallo one week is still required to finish the APD and an other week to prepare the DAO (Dossier d' Appel d'Offre').

2. Teacher's report

LR gave an overview of the upcoming activities:

This week it is the end of the first semester and exams are happening

February is literacy month and activities will be organized for celebrating this

Students council is organizing a fund raising diner at valentines day

Secondary School trip is going to the Dogon

Three students will visit Ghana, others will participate in an International Math. competition in Brussels,

First week in february the after school activities will start

3. Director's report

see addendum 'Highlights of Director's Report'

At point 6 (enrollment growth) a proposal is made for 2008/2009 PK3/4 class, authorizing up four students beyond the class size limit (20), given there is a teacher, an assistant and two aides (until the summer).

The board approved unanimously

4. Facilities committee report

see addendum 'facilities meeting January 14, 2009'

The final APD is still not finished (presented by Mr. Diallo earlier in the evening)

The board authorized the Facility Committee to approve the final APD (when finished)

The board approved unanimously

The board authorized the Facility Committee to approve the DAO before it is released to the construction companies

The board approved unanimously

CB asked to come up with suggestions and ideas with regard to the groundbreaking ceremony.

5. Finance committee report

see addendum 'Finances Committee Meeting January 13, 2009'

6. Policy committee report

see addendum 'Policy Committee Meeting January 14, 2009'

The board asked to reconsider 703 and come with a revised version next meeting

The board approved unanimously the final draft form for evaluating the director, see addendum.

7. School Calendar 2009/2010

The board approved unanimously the Draft 3 School Calendar 2009/2010, see addendum.

8. Board Training/Trainer in May

Election for the new board members will be in May 12. New members should be able to follow the training. Two dates 16/17 or 23/24 were proposed (to be decided upon later).

Adjournment: 10.00 PM

Special School Board Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday February 3, 2009
Library

Present

Rob van Doeselaar (RD), Omar Saibou (OS), David Henry (DH, Director), Nico Barning (NB), Christy Bennett (CB), Scott Reese (SR Ambassador's Rep), Steve Lutterbeck (SL), Olivier Verstraeten (OL), Todd League (TL).

Opening

- a. call to order: 19:00 h.

Due to the message from BICIM (Paris) stating they do not agree with the 40% part in the loan, an extra meeting was organized to discuss the options.

Three options were discussed:

1. Make the road and have almost nothing in reserve
2. Stop the work now
3. Not make a decision tonight

The third option was adopted, i.e. postpone the meeting with 1 week in order to get more information on the outcome of the call with OPIC, meeting with BIM and Ecobank.

Meeting adjourned: 20:30 h.

Special School Board Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday February 10, 2009
Library

Present

Rob van Doeselaar (RD), Omar Saibou (OS), Lynn Robinson (LR, replacing David Henry, DH), Nico Barning (NB), Christy Bennett (CB), Scott Reese (SR Ambassador's Rep), Steve Lutterbeck (SL), Olivier Verstraeten (OL), Todd League (TL).

Not present: David Henry (in U.S.)

Opening

- a. call to order: 19:00 h.

Mr. Doukoure, loan officer for AISB, from the BOA explained the bank's proposition to give a loan for 500 million FCFA coming two years (about \$1.2 million) in order to be able to start up the activities.

Several options were presented (addendum) and discussed but no decision was made.

Next board meeting February 24th the decision will be made.

Meeting adjourned: 21:15 h.