

# ASSOCIATION DES SECTIONS INTERNATIONALES BRITANNIQUES ET ANGLOPHONES

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# <u>Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of 15 March 2010</u> <u>Procès-verbal de l'Assemblée Générale Ordinaire du 5 mars 2010</u>

**DATE:** 15<sup>th</sup> March 2010 at 10:00 a.m.

**PLACE:** Lycée de Sèvres, 21 rue du Docteur Ledermann, 92310 Sèvres.

#### **PRESENT:**

#### **Active members (voting)**

#### **Represented by:**

APESA (Association des Parents d'Elèves de la Section Anglophone) du Lycée Honoré de <b>Balzac</b>	Derek Erb
Lycée Charles de Gaulle, Dijon,	Pascal Charpentier
Ivan Karaïvanov, Section Anglophone, EAB Étoile	
Section Anglophone, EAB Étoile	Caroline Foubert-Lew
Peter Woodburn, Ferney-Voltaire	
Association ALA-ELP, Ferney-Voltaire	Julie Badoche represented by Peter Woodburn
Glenys Kennedy, Section Anglophone du Collège International, <b>Fontainebleau</b>	
APE de la Section Anglophone du Collège International, <b>Fontainebleau</b>	Craig Walker represented by Glenys Kennedy
APE Section Britannique du Lycée Grand Air, <b>La Baule</b>	Christine Brown represented by Paddy Salmon

John Cadden, Section Anglophone Cité Scolaire Internationale de <b>Lyon</b>	
Philip Shaw-Latimer, British Section, Lycée International, <b>Saint-Germain en Laye</b>	
APE de la Section Britannique du Lycée International, <b>Saint-Germain en Laye</b>	David Gage
Paddy Salmon, SIS, Collège de <b>Sèvres</b>	PaddySalmon and
(Département Anglophone)	Ann Potonnier
SIS, Collège de Sèvres (Département Anglophone)	Bertrand Devillers represented by Paddy Salmon

#### **MEETING**

Mme. Le Floch, Proviseur, welcomed the participants to the Collège de Sèvres and expressed her support for the OIB and the work of the association.

The agenda was taken as read.

#### 1. President's Report

1.1 The President, Paddy Salmon, welcomed the members attending and summarised his report which was circulated in its English and French versions. The report (to be placed on the website) stressed the need for all British OIB schools to continue to support ASIBA, noted that almost all schools are now members, praised the web-site and the webmaster (Derek Erb), mentioned the celebration events in Sèvres in October to mark the 25th anniversary of the OIB and thanked Glenys Kennedy and Philip-Shaw Latimer (who will be retiring this year) for all their efforts over the years.

#### 2. History / Geography

2.1 The Secretary, David Gage, asked about any developments as regards possible changes in the History / Geography programme. Anne Potonnier and the Treasurer, Philip-Shaw Latimer advised that discussions were on-going at the highest level, with some lobbying from interested parties, but that decision had not yet been made.

# 3. New OIB Schools

3.1 Derek Erb (Balzac parents) informed the meeting that he had very recently learned that a new Anglophone international section was being launched at the Camille Sée college / lycée in the 15th arrondissement of Paris at the initiative of the Rectorat.

- 3.2 Anne Potonnier also commented that it was her understanding that the Conseil Regional had been the motor behind the establishment of an Anglophone international section at the college Daunou in Boulogne-sur-Mer (62).
- 3.3 Philip-Shaw Latimer commented that there currently existed a dynamic to create new international sections but that the commitment and resources needed was not always fully appreciated. Pascal Charpenter remarked that in this case of his school, Lycée Charles de Gaulle, Dijon, they had lodge a formal request to open an international section and it had involved about 2 years of preparation.
- 3.4 Derek Erb suggested that the new schools should be encouraged to join ASIBA.
- 3.5 Peter Woodburn stressed the need to preserve the culture of the exam for example through teacher-examiner meetings and a thorough understanding of the handbook. He suggested that in order to assist new schools it might be useful to ask other recent OIB schools, such as Lille, Rouen, Manosque who and what has significantly aided them in implementing the programme.
- 3.6 Philip-Shaw Latimer agreed that the new schools would need support and reassurance, adding that up to now new sections have been assisted by sending a delegation for a day's visit to one of the long-established sections. Pascal Charpentier confirmed the importance of the day spent at the Lycée International of St. Germain by his team. Anne Potonnier added that Sevres had similarly provided a panorama and teacher presentation to College Daunou (Boulogne-sur-Mer).
- 3.7 In conclusion the meeting agreed that the status of the new school should be investigated and contact established at head of section / principal level.

#### 4. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>

- 4.1 The Treasurer, Philip Shaw-Latimer, circulated a statement of income and expenditure for the accounting year 2008-9, balance sheet as at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2009, provisional budget for 2009-10 and list of subscription paid.
- 4.2 The Treasurer commented on the documents, as to receipts, all established member schools were likely to pay but there were some subscription outstanding. As to travelling expenses there had been an extra meeting in the year under review relating to the possible reform of the History / Geography programme, Mr. Vigier had visited Cambridge and finally the reimbursement of the UK universities presentation had been delayed and had fallen into the last accounting year.
- 4.3 In a case of need one teacher-examiner had been advanced travelling expenses but this had subsequently been reimbursed. A discussion took place and it was decided unanimously (one abstention) that there should be no change in ASIBA's policy to the intent that such a reimbursement of travelling expenses could be made in exceptional circumstances subject to Board approval.
- 4.4 The meeting approved the income and expenditure statement, balance sheet and provisional budget

4.5 The meeting thanked Philip Shaw-Latimer for all his work as Treasurer noting that he would be steeping down in the autumn in view of his forthcoming well-earned retirement.

#### 5. <u>Membership</u>

5.1 The General Secretary, David Gage, reported on membership and confirmed that all established member schools were expected to settle the annual subscriptions. Non-payers had been reminded and there would be a further follow-up. It was added that two schools / APEs had not wished to keep double membership and there is one school which has never joined (although invited each year). The newly established sections were to be encouraged to join in the coming year.

### 6. 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary even in Sèvres

6.1 After some discussion and input from other directors it was thought appropriate to invite to the event in Sèvres up to five representatives from Cambridge notably Dr. Kevin Stannard (director), Adrian Barlow, Clare Sladden, Natascha Soweda and Val Sismey. A budget would be established for the necessary travel expenses and an overnight stay in the CIEP accommodation.

## 7. Election of Board of Directors

- 7.1 The meeting was reminded that the mandate of all current Directors expires at this Annual General Meeting but that all were entitled to stand for re-election.
- 7.2 All the current Directors (excepting Anne Sargeant, Buc Parents), having indicated that they wished to stand for re-election, were unanimously re-elected to serve for a term expiring at the AGM to be held in 2010, namely:

John Cadden (Lyon)
Derek Erb (Balzac parents)
David Gage (St. Germain parents)
Ivan Karaïvanov (EAB)
Glenys Kennedy (Fontainebleau)
Paddy Salmon (Sevres)
Philip Shaw-Latimer (St. Germain)
Peter Woodburn (Ferney-Voltaire)

7.3 The President reminded the Directors that a Board meeting was to be held immediately following this General Meeting to elect the officers for the coming year, namely the President, Vice-President, Treasurer and General Secretary.

There being no other business, the President closed the meeting at 12:45 p.m..

Paddy Salmon, President	David Gage, Secretary