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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**DATE:** Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> May 2019

**PLACE:** By online conference call (via GoTo).

**PRESENT**

1. James Cathcart (St. Germain), President
2. Shaun Corrigan (Fontainebleau), Treasurer
3. Betty Lau (Sèvres)
4. Alan Geary (Lyon), Subject Leader History-Geography
5. Nick Baker (St. Germain), Strategic Liaison Leader English
6. Katharine Axten (Balzac parents)
7. David Gage (St. Germain parents), General Secretary

**ABSENT EXCUSED**

8. Rob Miller (Lyon), Vice President, Strategic Liaison Leader History-Geography

**MEETING**

The meeting started at 9:05.

**1. Agenda**

The agenda for the meeting had been circulated by email.

**2. Last Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019 were approved unanimously.

**3. Election of new Director**

- 3.1 Following up on previous discussions, DG formally proposed the appointment of Laura Martin-Clark, Head of Section, Ferney-Voltaire, as a Director of ASIBA.
- 3.2 In accordance with the powers of the Board under article 12 in the Articles of Association, Laura Martin-Clark was unanimously elected as a Director for a term of office expiring at the next Annual General Meeting.

#### **4. Cambridge Inspectors**

- 4.1 DG confirmed that Board policy was to review the rate paid to the Cambridge inspectors once per year, the last increase having been made in January 2017 as referred to in the agenda.
- 4.2 JC agreed to check the rates currently being paid by CIE itself to its external inspectors, to review with SC and then make a recommendation to the Board via email.

#### **5. CIE Associate Agreement**

JC confirmed that the CIE Associate Agreement has now been renewed for a further 3-year term on substantially the same terms as previously and that a fully signed copy of the new Agreement has now been received.

#### **6. Bac Reforms**

- 6.1 JC and AG reported back on the on-going communications with the authorities in connection with the Bac reforms, including in relation to the timing of the oral exams. Other national sections and/or their partner authorities have also been in communication with the French authorities to express their views on current proposals.
- 6.2 Work has also been going on in relation to the adaptation of the syllabus to take into account the timing of the single national written exam and the continuous assessment element of the new programme. Meetings with the relevant interested parties have been taking place.
- 6.3 A short *Arrêté* of 26<sup>th</sup> March, relating to the organisation of the continuous assessment and which replaces Article 9 of the *Arrêté* of 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018, has recently been published. NB will circulate a link.

#### **7. Schools' Forum**

The meeting confirmed its preference for the Schools' Forum and AGM to be held in the last week before the Christmas holidays, possibly the 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> December. BL will follow up on the proposed dates with Emmanuelle Depierre, Head of Section, CSI Grenoble.

#### **8. Website**

JC agreed to follow up on the proposed translation of the site into French.

#### **9. Overseas Coordinator**

AG referred to the challenges of managing relations with the schools outside mainland France. He advised that a colleague based overseas had offered to help and AG would like to propose to that person a role as an overseas coordinator and as a member of the "new schools" group. The meeting was favourable to this and JC suggested that AG prepare a short document outlining the role and responsibilities.

#### **10. Next Board meeting**

The next meeting will be arranged via email.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 09:50.

*Signed*  
**James Cathcart, President**

*Signed*  
**David Gage, General Secretary**