

MR Agenda dd. 30 Januari 2025

At 16.00 hours in room B12.

Present: Voorzitter, secretaris, OOP1, PO2, VO-IIn, VO-ouder, PO-ouder

Absent: VO2, VO-IIn2 (JH), PO-ouder

- 1) Opening (16:00)
 - VO student Jan Holtus is - perhaps - leaving school, therefore we might need a new VO-student. Proposal is to ask the 2nd candidate of the recent elections (Roman) if he is still interested.
- 2) Confirm agenda and notes (16:15) → do next meeting, when management is present.
- 3) Student updates
 - all is well, no complaints
- 4) Parent updates
 - slight commotion among (very few) parents about warm sweater day (Feb.5). MR generally feels the worries are excessive and unfounded, but clear communication on 'why' is needed.
- 5) Personnel updates
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- 6) Discussion about:
 - a) Mobile phone policy (16:20)
 - mostly teachers prefer a policy that is easy to manage. Easy means no phones at school, also during break times. Parents have (obviously) very varied opinions, realizing the possible harm to development of social skills with teenagers; some parents also find it important to be able to be in contact with their kids. Total ban can be difficult to organise, it being an open school. The option of a trial month of no phone policy is discussed. After voting on different options, the MR does not reach a consensus on what to advise to management (vote is split between 'keep as is' and 'trial month'). MR will advise management to be clear on communication, whatever is (not) decided
 - b) Bullying / racism and the protocol (16:55)
 - Is agendized yearly. VO-student: there are some racial slurs/jokes spoken at times, no big conflicts of "nothing the school can't handle". Impression is that in management, as well as among teachers, there is much reluctance to address sensitive topics. Teachers may well feel like they lack the skills to address and discuss the topics 'properly'. →MR will propose training for teachers in this, possibly as part of (leading up to DENISE Culture Day...
 - c) School trips and camps / school trip plan (17:10)
 - Connection between trips and curriculum is sometimes lacking. More trips would be welcome (now typically 2-3 in a year, including small outings).
 - MR has no knowledge of School Trip plan. Chair will ask the vice-principal.

d) School contribution (17:18)

-Last year a specification on what the parent contribution is spent on was proposed to management. Parents (verified by MR parents) did not receive this (yet).

→MR will verify if it was sent to parents, if not, MR will ask Jenno to provide this.

e) New principal profile (17:21)

-Job posting for new DENISE principal will be published in a few weeks.

Questions to ask applicants are proposed and discussed (collected in document by chair). Chair will also check the vacancy timeline with Amanja

7) Round of questions

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8) Afsluizing (17:37)