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ESPOO INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Time 25.02.2025 at 18:00

Venue Room B 329, Opinmäki campus

Participants guardian members: Sarah Luoma (Chair), Saija Benjamin, Rupert Harding
staff members: Amber Rikkonen, Tjerk Werkman
student members: Suhaan Rais, Tymofii Kruhlov
secretary: Anne-Marie Rapo

I Calling of the meeting to order

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 18:05.

II Verification of the legality of the meeting

It was confirmed that the meeting had been duly convened and that a quorum was present.

III Nomination(s) and selection of two persons to verify the minutes

Rupert Harding and Tjerk Werkman were selected to check the minutes.

IV Acceptance of the order of business

The order of business was approved.

V Adopting the minutes of the previous meeting

The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the previous meeting.

VI Allocation of lesson hours

The Government will invest in the learning of basic skills in primary level. One measure to achieve this aim is to increase the minimum number of compulsory lesson hours for reading, writing and numeracy in grades 1, 2 and 3. The curriculum will not expand as only the number of teaching hours will increase.

Proposal for Decision

The secretary proposed to the board the following changes into the allocation of lesson hours for EIS starting in the 2025 – 2026 school year: +1h added into mother tongue Finnish or Finnish as a second language; grade 2, +1h into English as EIS

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already has 4 hours of mathematics in grade 2 and +1h into grade 3 mother tongue Finnish or Finnish as a second language.

Decision

Approved as proposed.

VII Information items

- The secretary reviewed the Espoo City student survey results at a general level.
- There was a discussion on the Government proposal that starting from the 2025–26 school year, schools can ban phones for the entire school day. Schools would have the authority to decide on the use and storage of mobile devices even during the rest of the school day (not just lessons), such as during breaks and meals. The school must record this in the school rules.

VIII AOB

There was no other business.

IX Future meetings and close of meeting

The next board meeting will be held in late May or early June. The chair closed the meeting at 18:57.

Anne-Marie Rapo
Presenter and meeting secretary

I have reviewed the minutes of the meeting and found it to be in line with the course of the meeting and the decisions taken.

Minute checkers

Rupert Harding

Tjerk Werkman