

American School of Brasilia

Board Meeting – September 8, 2015: 16:00 - 18:00

Composition of the Board of Directors

Position	Nominee	Initials	Date of Entrance
President	Ms. Marion Walshe	MW	November 19, 2013
Secretary	Ms. Laura Chamberlin	LC	May 8 th , 2013
Treasurer	Mr. Caio Prado	CP	June 15 th , 2012
Board Member	Mr. Indranil Chakrabarti	IC	August 12, 2014
Board Member	Mr. Jeremy Freeman	JF	June 10, 2014
Board Member	Ms. Anne Posthuma	AP	February 24, 2015
Board Member	Mr. Marcio Queiroz	MQ	September 8, 2015
Head of School	Mr. Barry Dequanne	BD	July 1 st , 2010

Attendance

Signature (If Present)

Benny Garcia, President _____

Marion Walshe, Vice President _____

Laura Chamberlin, Secretary _____

Caio Prado, Treasurer _____

Jeremy Freeman _____

Indranil Chakrabarti _____

Anne Posthuma _____

Marcio Queiroz _____

Barry Dequanne _____

Board Members Joining: Marcio Queiroz

Board Members Resigning: None

Call to Order at 16:00

MINUTES

1. Consent Agenda (MW)

- a. The following item was approved by the Board as part of the consent agenda:
 - i. August 2015 Board Meeting Minutes

ii. New Board Member Confirmed as of September 2015: Marcio Queiroz

2. Special Needs

a. Tour of new special needs support space (as follow up to previous special needs presentation)

3. School-Wide Goals

a. Given the substantive change EAB has experienced over the last five years, the 2015-2016 school-wide goals are focused on (i) consolidation and (ii) accreditation. EAB is preparing for its five-year accreditation visit, scheduled for October 2016. The two school-wide goals are aligned with this process.

4. EAB Core Documents

a. After a year-long process, the Board formally approved new core documents, as follows:

i. **Our Mission: Learners inspiring learners to be inquisitive in life, principled in character, and bold in vision.**

ii. **Our Vision: To positively impact the world through excellence in academics, activities, arts, leadership, and service.**

iii. **Our Beliefs**

1. **All EAB Learners are:**

- **Engaged in their own learning,**
- **Principled in their learning and actions,**
- **Collaborative to enhance learning for all,**
- **Contributing positively to their learning community.**

iv. **Our School: We are a diverse community that provides an English-language based pre-K through Grade 12 education. We are an International Baccalaureate World School with U.S. and Brazilian accreditation.**

5. Strategic Plan

a. Board approved five-year strategic plan (included below at end of minutes)

6. Brazil's Economic and Political Concerns

a. There are concerns that the current devaluation of the Brazilian Real will have a significant impact on the retention of international teachers. A focus group is examining means to address concerns associated with teacher retention.

7. Board Goals

a. Board reviewed annual goals, which are to be confirmed at next Board meeting

Mr. Marion Walshe

Board President

Ms. Laura Chamberlin

Board Secretary