

Legal Working Group

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Membership

Magali Barral, Dimitri de Bournonville, Flor Castilla Contreras, Pere Moles-Palleja, Sigfrido Ramirez, Tibor Scharf, Thomas Spoomans, Jan Tymowski (Coordinator and Board liaison).

Emese Savoia-Keleti *as adviser on data protection issues*

The Legal Working Group provides advice to the APEEE Board on legal issues¹ arising in the context of the functioning of the school. It does not take decisions, but reports to the APEEE Board for any decisions to be taken, and its role is per definition a reactive one.

The Legal Working Group works mainly by email exchange with occasional meetings. The Legal WG communicates with relevant interlocutors, such as school authorities, on files under the auspices of the APEEE Board, periodically reporting to APEEE Board.

The Legal Working Group is increasingly solicited for a wide range of issues, often at relatively short notice. In order to be increase efficiency, **topical clusters** have been formed:

- **Disciplinary issues:** members of the Legal Working Group are called upon to assist pupils who face the school's disciplinary board (and their parents). This can happen a few times during the year.
- **Statutory issues:** APEEE and APEEE Services and their relation with the school.
- **General legal issues:** into which such issues as Belgian law or general legal issues could fall.

The Legal Working Group remains open to all those interested and committed to deliver work arising to the best of its ability and availability. Membership of the clusters at present is as follows:

General:

Dimitri de Bournonville
Flor Castilla Contreras
Pere Moles
Sigfrido Ramirez
Tibor Scharf
Jan Tymowski

¹ Any advice provided by the Working Group or any its members individually is not intended to replace legal advice or support sought from or provided by external sources such as independent external legal counsel or governmental bodies, and accordingly neither the Working Group nor any of its members can be held liable to (non) accuracy, delay or omission in the provision of any such advice or support. Any assistance provided to parents or pupils, for instance in the context of disciplinary matters, takes into account the interests of the School as a whole, including any other pupils involved, with the consequence that the role of the Working Group cannot always be assimilated to the one of a defence counsel: where advisable, the concerned parties will be invited to seek outside counsel at their own costs and under their responsibility.

Discipline:

Magali Barral
Flor Castilla Contreras
Pere Moles

Statutes:

Pere Moles
Sigfrido Ramirez
Thomas Spoormans
Jan Tymowski