

## **2016 Yearly report Foundation United World College Maastricht**

During 2016, the Board of Foundation United World College Maastricht met five times at the College and once with the board of Foundation UWC-NL in Utrecht. The Head of College Peter Howe was present at all but one of the meetings and so was Jeffrey Fonsaer, responsible for the finances at the College; Sandra van den Tillaard, Advancement Director at UWCM as of April 2016 - responsible for fundraising and alumni relations; and Iva Horejsi as of June 2016 to make notes.

In 2016, Jaap Breugem joined Foundation UWCM, firstly as a member of the board. In May 2016 he joined the Chair Arnold Reusken to the meeting of the ALV of the Coop UWCM. In June Arnold resigned and Jaap succeeded him as Chair of Foundation UWCM, linking pin to Foundation UWCNL and member of the Coop ALV for Foundation UWCM.

During 2016, two new members were sought for the Board of Foundation UWCM, both to link to the UWCM community and to link to the city of Maastricht and its surroundings for PR, fundraising and engaging in social activities. In 2017 two new members are expected to join.

Topics treated at the Board of the Foundation UWCM in 2016 included:

- changes in the composition of ALV of the Coop UWCM, the School Board and the Board of Foundation UWCNL
- finances at UWCM (start-up losses are almost compensated, further support needs to be found for expansion -6 extra classrooms-, new activities, outreach and scholarships)
- targets for fundraising and meeting the Shelby Davis challenge (raising \$ 1 million for UWCM which was very generously equally matched by Shelby Davis: a tremendous support to enhance diversity at the school and provide scholarships for talented youngsters from all over the world)
- launching the Social Impact Fund and discussing events, fundraising opportunities, possible partnerships and alumni relations to engage support
- the departure of Peter Howe at the beginning of March 2017 to become Headmaster at UWC of the Atlantic (AC), therefore supporting the selection of a new Headmaster: Lodewijk van Oord, who will start June 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 and be present prior for transmission
- continuing to fine-tune with and within the Coop, concerning issues of governance, management and finances at the school, pertaining to both boarders and day students
- cooperating with the Foundation UWC-NL, exchanging ideas on governance, enhancing understanding of finances and seeking new ways to meet the funding challenge by setting common targets, reaching agreements with other UWCs and possibly taking on or contributing towards UWC Xperience at UWCM
- cooperating with UWC International and other UWCs
- becoming an Ashoka changemaker school and possibly starting a special scholarship
- ensuring continuity and searching for new Board members at Foundation UWCM

In 2015/2016, there were 316 students in Primary and 508 students in Secondary at the start of the school year.

In 2016/2018, there were 330 students in Primary and 552 students in Secondary at the start of the school year.

For the period 2015-2017, 87 boarders were accepted, of whom 57 received a full or partial scholarship. For the period 2016-2018, 97 boarders were accepted, of whom 68 received a full or partial scholarship.

For 2017, special focus will be on making some adaptations in the governance structure and translating the legal documents from Dutch into English (also required for the CIS accreditation), fundraising, new Social Impact activities, and reaching out within the school and beyond.