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**Subject:** Call for Extraordinary General Assembly during the first week of September 2018

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**To:** ca@lfph.dk, Jean-Thomas Meyer JEAME@orsted.dk

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Dear Board,

With reference to The School's Vedtægter § 6. Stk. 2 we, the undersigned 57 parents, hereby call for an Exceptional General Assembly ("EGA") to be held during the first week of September 2018. Content and purpose of the EGA are outline in the petition below (sections 1-3) along with the instructions for how the EGA should be arranged (section 4).

We look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

Christian Havrehed

*Representative for the Parents who have signed this petition*

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PETITION

### 1. BACKGROUND

The communication between the School Board and the Parent Community is unsatisfactory. There is a lack of transparency of what the School Board does and whether it is the School Board or the SCI who is in control of the New School project. Poor communication between the School Board and the Parent Community is unacceptable now that we are about to invest hundred of millions of kroner in building a New School. This is a risky project and if things are not managed properly, it will be the Parent Community who will have to pick up the bill, through increased tuition fees. It should therefore be in everyone's interest that the School Board communicates extensively with, and listens intensively to, the Parent Community. Instead the School Board is ignoring and/or excluding the Parent Community, as demonstrated by the following examples:

The Minutes of Meeting from the Extraordinary General Assembly held 31 January 2018 where Parents voted for moving the School were only made available to the Parent Community FOUR MONTHS later, on 29 May 2018. The MofM fail to document at least three key factors, which would have influenced the Parent Community to vote yes: 1) The French Ambassador promised to work tirelessly to obtain sponsorship for the School, if the Parents voted yes. 2) Anders Torbøl assured the Parent assembly that the New Build and Renovation m2 prices used in the budget were conservative. 3) Parent working groups would be established and the Parent Community would be included in the New School Project.

In the FOUR MONTHS where the Parent Community thought things were happening in accordance with what was agreed at the Extraordinary General Assembly the following has happened instead:

The SCI has hired a Project Director to be in charge of the New School Project and a Steering Committee for the New School Project has been established. The Steering Committee excludes Parent representation (though Jean Thomas Meyer argues that since he is a Parent and he is a member of the Committee, then Parents are represented on this Committee).

The School / SCI has hired the Company Language of Space to establish user requirements for the New School. Students, teachers and admin staff were interviewed by Language of Space. Parents were not, because the School / SCI did not want the Parents included in the survey, despite Language of Space maintaining that Best Practice would have been to include the Parent Community.

It has been pointed out to the Board, the School Management, the School's auditor DBO, and the SCI that according to the School's Articles of Association (Vedtægter) § 7. Stk. 20 the Board currently does not have the mandate to transfer the School's 64% ownership in the SCI into a Foundation. To obtain such a mandate will require a dedicated extraordinary vote to be put to the Parent Community. However, Jean Thomas Meyer argues that the School has already obtained this mandate from the Parents because the vote cast on 31 January 2018 was worded: "Are you for or against the moving project, AS IT WAS PRESENTED TO YOU?" and since Anders Torbøl did briefly mentioned that the shares might be transferred into a Foundation, then this was mentioned and therefore, by voting yes, the Parents gave the Board the mandate. This has since been put to a test on the Parents/Forældre Prins Henrik Skole Copenhagen Facebook page, and none of the parents who voted yes, agree with Jean Thomas. Jean Thomas, instead of then replying, "OK, if we indeed want to establish a Foundation we will hold another vote so the parents can have their say and we can ensure the School is compliant with its Vedtægter", is now using the School's money to hire a lawyer in order to try and find a way to interpret the Vedtægter in such a way that the Board can avoid holding another Parent vote.

(Documentation for the above can be found on the Parents/Forældre Prins Henrik Skole Copenhagen Facebook page in posts started by Christian Havrehed. This is not the most ideal forum, but it is not possible for the Parent Community to start discussions on the School's Facebook page, and the School is the only party who has access to all parents email addresses. Emails have been sent to the School Board on the above topics, and the School Board has also been asked to forward the text surrounding the missing mandate to the Parent Community as a whole, but to no avail).

### 2. QUESTIONS to be answered by the School Board at the Extraordinary General Assembly:

Because of the importance of the New School Project and the dysfunctional relationship between the Board and the Parent

Community, the undersigned Parents call for another Extraordinary General Assembly to be held during the first week of September 2018 with the purpose of getting the Board to commit to improving its communication to, and involvement of, the Parent Community, specifically to:

1. include in the MofM from the 31 January 2018 Extraordinary General Assembly the three missing key factors mentioned above that would have influenced the Parents to vote yes
2. commit to making MofM available to the Parent Community latest seven calendar days after meetings have been held in order to avoid the School Board being able to move ahead with a non-agreed agenda by way of fait accompli.
3. commit to letting the Parent Community elect two members from among itself (outside of the Board, if the Parent Community so desires) to become full members of the SCI New School Steering Committee and ensure the SCI / Foundation also accepts this with immediate effect.
4. explain to the Parent Community how the School plans to limit building costs by controlling what and how the SCI builds (for example, as per Language of Space's research both students and teachers want an internal slide at the New School like the one at Google's headquarters, so they can slide from the top floor to the bottom floor. Can the SCI therefore go ahead and build such a slide since it is part of user requirements?).
5. commit to another Parent vote as required by Vedtægter § 7. Stk. 20, should the Board decide that the best option would be to inject the School's ownership in the SCI into a Foundation and present in advance to the Parent Community the pros and cons (financially and risk) for establishing a Foundation
6. explain to the Parent community how the Board currently controls the SCI and what measures it will take to ensure it can keep doing so if the shares in the SCI are injected into a Foundation. What actions does the Board plan to take to bring down the overhead, employment, and professional fees costs in the SCI (or Foundation) once the New School Project has been finished and operations return to normal?

### 3. VOTE(S)

After the Board has presented its views on the above issues a vote shall be held to assess the Chairman of the School Board's suitability for the position. The question Parents shall be asked to vote on shall be: "Based on Jean Thomas Meyer's handling of the New School Project as Chairman of the School Board, shall he be asked to resign from the Board with immediate effect?". Possible answers shall be "YES" or "NO".

In case the Parents vote to remove Jean Thomas Meyer from the Board with immediate effect, the vice-Chairman of the Board shall temporarily take over the Role of Chairman until the October 2018 General Assembly where new Board Members shall be elected.

In case the Board decides between now and the first week of September 2018 that a Foundation would be advantageous, then we encourage the Board to use the Extraordinary General Assembly called by us to also hold the Parent vote for allowing the School to inject its shares into a Foundation at the same meeting. If the Board decides to do so, the Board should circulate its pros and cons material to the Parent Community at least two weeks in advance of the meeting.

### 4. INSTRUCTIONS TO THE SCHOOL BOARD

Please:

- schedule the date and time for the Extraordinary General Assembly during the first week of September 2018
- send the full text of the PETITION above to the whole Parent Community at least two weeks before the EGM.
- feel free to include additional material in the communication with the Parent Community, PROVIDED it is relevant for the meeting, does not change the focus of the meeting, or hides the PETITION text.
- the Parent Community will chair the meeting, provide the agenda for the day, and draft the MofM for the Board to sign off on, prior to release.
- communicate with Christian Havrehed, Representative of the Parents who have signed the PETITION, in a timely manner to ensure the meeting can be a success for all (set up of room, coordination of presentations, registration of voters, counting of votes etc.)

Thank you.

PETITION SIGNED BY:

1. Christian Havrehed
2. Pernille Christensen
3. Samira Afailal
4. Julie-Marine Guérin
5. Aude Didieux Ep Jakobsen
6. Robert Haren
7. Stéphanie Roux Wolke
8. Sophie Carré
9. Alexandre Duriaud
10. Helle Molter Duriaud
11. Cecilie Troiel

12. Daniel Emmanuel de Souza
13. Valerie Houle
14. Kasper Nybo
15. Nathalie Btेश-smith
16. Lua Cravo
17. Frederikke Ingemann Hansen
18. Agnieszka Zagadlo Nielsen
19. Jørgen Riis Pedersen
20. Najah El-Gourfti
21. Casper Hassø Nielsen
22. Anouck Leuba Mortensen
23. Katia Dupret
24. Estelle Raffin
25. Karina Garnier Christensen
26. Sébastian Garnier
27. Silvain Kelkal
28. Lise Juhl Kelkal
29. Stephanie Bouju
30. Saida Ayachi
31. Hanane F. Roswall
32. Peter Roswall
33. Marius Hansteen
34. Catherine Descure
35. Laurent Lopez
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37. Luke Valentine
38. Véronique Havrehed
39. Rikke Katborg
40. Francois Chilot
41. Camila Strandsbjerg
42. Nabi La Qassid-Fjallstein
43. Jannie Panourgias
44. Kristell Peron
45. Clara Rescan Ulrich
46. Christel Weber Gouas Kristensen
47. Bettina Gagick
48. Peer Normann Jakobsen
49. Brice Gustin
50. Severine Boryczka
51. Gounaine Hafida
52. Baptiste Boryczka
53. Pascale Gibault
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Best regards / Med venlig hilsen,  
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