OMEP Slovakia, regional section Bratislava and surroundings

ACTIVITY REPORT 2023

The Regional Section Bratislava and Surroundings worked in 2023 in the following composition:

Katarína Koledová - President

Norika Gregušová - farmer

Gabriela Domeová - Secretary

The regional section Bratislava and surroundings worked in 2023 as follows:

During the year, the Presidency met through online meetings and especially in person, often as it prepared the plan of activities, evaluated the past year, but especially during the year it prepared the OMEP conference in Bratislava.

The main activity of the regional section in 2023 was the preparation and implementation of a conference with international participation on the 25th anniversary of the founding of OMEP Slovakia.

It took place on 5-6 October 2023 on the occasion of World Teachers' Day entitled 'Teachers of ECEC – Trends, Transformations and Challenges of the Teaching Profession'. It was held under the auspices and professional guarantee of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic and Matej Vagač, Mayor of Bratislava-Staré Mesto.

The aim of the professional conference was to reflect the transformations of the teaching profession in the context of its development, current challenges and current trends, to identify and analyze the uniqueness and multidimensionality of pre-primary education and to create space for professional discussion in the field of pre-school education in Slovakia and abroad.

On 5.10. it took place in the Zichy Palace on Ventúrská Street in Bratislava, where after the ceremonial opening the main Posts:

"The role of kindergarten teachers in the personal development of preschool children"

PhDr. Viera Hajdúková, PhD.

The mission of a kindergarten teacher

Prof. PhDr. Miron Zelina, DrSc.

Who is a kindergarten teacher?

PaedDr. Ilona Uváčková

Professional development of kindergarten teachers in the context of trends

lifelong learning

Prof. PaedDr. Ivan Pavlov, PhD.

Teacher – researcher, a new professional challenge for teachers

pre-primary education

Prof. PaedDr. Dušan Kostrub, PhD.

A holistic approach to ECEC

PaedDr. Soňa Kikušová, CSc.

Screening of children's development in ECEC

PhDr. Magdaléna Špotáková, CSc.

The next day, 6.10.23, workshops took place as follows:

Workshop n. 1

Theme: I draw round round or preparing to write

Lecturer: doc. PaedDr. Blanka Kožík Lehotayová, PhD.

Location: Faculty of Education, Comenius University in Bratislava

Workshop n. 2

Topic: What does kangaroo and 33 have in common? Ways to ask questions

in kindergarten

Lecturer: PaedDr. Darina Dvorská, PhD.

Location: Faculty of Arts, Comenius University in Bratislava

Workshop no. 3

Topic: Ideas from the Reading Playground

Lecturer: Mgr. Timotea Vráblová, PhD.

Location: Petržalka Local Library, Vavilovova 24

Workshop n°4

Theme: Trees shine outside – teacher as ambassador

outdoor education in kindergartens

Lecturers: Mgr. Hana Uhrinová and Ing. Jozef Kahan, PhD.

Place: Kindergarten Šuňavcova 13, Bratislava-Nové Mesto

During the conference, accompanying activities were also held:

- Portal, s. r. o.
- Journal of Preschool Education
- INFRA Slovakia, s. r. o.
- Little Chef Without OZ Cap
- Portal, s. r. o.
- Pro Solutions, s.r.o.
- Raabe Ltd.
- Stiefel Eurocart, s.r.o.
- A LITTLE DIFFERENTLY

Before the start of the conference on 4.10.24, a meeting of the OMEP Slovakia Bureau was held in Bratislava and on 5.10.24 a social evening for all registered participants was held after the end of the conference.

The conference had the maximum high attendance and very positive reviews from all participants, it certainly met all our expectations and successfully resumed after a long time our personal meetings, which we can also plan for the future.

At regional level, individual kindergartens contacted and cooperated, exchanged experiences and cooperated on joint projects. They also dealt with the preparation of a conference and excursion organized by OMEP Prešov, which took place in December 2023 in Brno and some of our members participated in it.

For various holidays and memorial days, our members prepared many activities, especially Kindergarten Day, Hand Washing Day, World Teacher's Day and likewise.

At the same time, kindergartens participated in seminars, education and webinars on various topics and thus enriched their knowledge and experience and improved their management and educational activities.

Very good cooperation between kindergartens and parents of children continued, they prepared many activities in cooperation with parents, involved parents in kindergartens and informed them about OMEP in an appropriate form.

Bratislava, February 2024 Katarína Koledova Ing.

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