

Draft minutes of the APEEE Services General Assembly of 2 June 2025

Agenda : Budget 2025-2026: vote

The meeting is opened by Mr. Rafael PAPI BORDERIA, President of APEEE Services, who introduces the presentation and vote on the provisional budget for the 2025-2026 financial year. He also outlined the proposed membership fees for the Association's various services, and reminded participants of the voting procedure, scheduled for the end of the meeting.

Mrs. Pascale DE SMEDT, Director of APEEE Services, then presents, with the aid of slides, details of the budget by service for the year 2025-2026. The PowerPoint presentation will be made available on [our website](#).

Mr. Endika BENGOTXEA, Treasurer of the ASBL, then comments on the projection of school transport season tickets until 2031-2032. In response to questions from the floor, he explains that these subscriptions are largely covered by the European institutions' transport allowance. The amount invoiced never exceeds this allowance, with the exception of certain cases: around 20% of parents have to cover the cost themselves, particularly those whose children are in nursery school, a non-compulsory level in Belgium. He reminds us that the Solidarity Fund is available to support the families concerned.

Mr. Philippe WAGNER has reservations about the budget vote, given the low attendance at the meeting (six people present). He considers this insufficient representation, particularly for families who have to pay for services themselves.

A discussion ensued on the low attendance at general meetings. A number of suggestions were made to remedy the situation, including more engaging communication in advance, for example by including more budgetary details in the invitation. It was noted, however, that the absence of many parents can also be explained by a certain confidence in the management of the services, which are perceived as operating efficiently. It was also pointed out that the French-speaking sections were well represented, in contrast to other, less numerous language sections.

Before the vote, Mr. Kevin O'CONNOR, member of the Transport Committee and administrator, presents the **New Drive** project, detailed on [our website](#). This involves a potential collaboration with the **Audit Drive** consultancy firm, which specializes in optimizing transport services. An audit mission, scheduled for October or November, is envisaged according to a formula to be defined. The meeting expressed its support for the project.

Results of the vote:

The vote on the 2025-2026 budget was carried out by a show of hands, including proxies. The Chairman noted the following results:

- **For:** 15
- **Against:** 0
- **Abstentions:** 1

The budget is therefore adopted.

The meeting is adjourned.

Rapporteur: Stéphanie WOUTERS