

Dear Board,

I am sending these documents as preparatory information for the forthcoming agenda of tonight where a proposal to support the Media club will be voted.

We are all aware that Media Club is enriching the lives of pupils, helping all those involved learn key skills and through its work and outputs, enriching the entire school community. Not only do they film all school events, concerts, BRUMUN etc , but they have recently contributed to the APEEE work spending over 150 hours of students time . The Media Club created a beautiful Welcome video upon the request of Rose Forrest in 2017 and the recent high quality canteen video has received much praise. Many students have been involved across all language sections of the school and the students even in their final year (S7) are actively involved guiding and mentoring the younger students.

Please see the links below of contributions of the Media club to APEEE.

The Welcome video in English created by the Media Club

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eBm6j_xjmPI

The Canteen video with subtitles in English created by the Media Club

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NA9D_k1VaRk

As you may all remember, the board agreed in principle to support the Media Club and the Debate Club after the students of the BRUMUN organisation committee and the President of the Media Club Katriina Surquin came to do a presentation in the June board meeting. See the following extract from the June board meeting minutes.

Presentation of Media & debate club by Mr Kehoe, teacher: Mr Kehoe explains about the Media Club and the Debate Club. Students can participate as of S3 the Brussels Model United Nations Conference and as of S1 in the Debate & Media Club. It's important to keep this going after Mr Kehoe leaves the school. At that moment it will be important to replace the film & recording equipment which now belongs to Mr Kehoe. Students' presentation was self-evidence of the success of these initiatives. Mr Kehoe also mentioned the valuable contributions of Mr Cortes and Ms Tumbleton who are already helping with the Debate Club during all their free time and who will take over the Debate Club when he leaves in 2019. He was grateful for the encouragement and appreciation efforts made by APEEE and asked if APEEE could help to ensure the continuation of these clubs which are voluntary efforts of the teachers and students of the school.

F. Tudini thanks the students for the presentation and congratulates them with their achievements in the BRUMUN conference, the Debate and Media Club. She also thanks Mr Kehoe for the creation of these initiatives which create such wonderful opportunities for the students and the hard work put into it in order to keep it going and turn it into a success.

In principle the Board agrees to support the Media Club and the Debate club, as well as the initiatives concerning the BRUMUN conference.

Action point: S. Goonetilake and J. Janss to send a proposal for support of the Debate Club, Media Club and the BRUMUN to the Board for the September Board meeting. F. Tudini to investigate with the school how to support these initiatives together.

https://www.woluweparents.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/2018_-Final-Board-report_21-June-2018-V1.pdf

As Mr Kehoe mentioned in the June board meeting, he has lent his personal equipment to the club but as he is leaving, it needs to be replaced. If we do not support the Media Club at this point, there is a possibility that this club may perish. Mr Kehoe has arranged that Mr Cortes Flores will become the teacher guiding the students and during the course of the year they plan to get more teachers involved. I have spoken to Mr Schmelz regarding this project and Mr Schmelz has shown positive interest in helping the club sustain in the long run. As with the BRUMUN pledge, APEEE support is likely to raise a snow ball effect and the Media Club will receive more support from the school and motivate more teachers to get involved.

Mr Kehoe suggests that APEEE considers storing this equipment in the APEEE storage area in the prefabs because it would then be available for the media courses the APEEE are either running or planning to run and the students running the club can just collect it when needed and hand it back afterwards. He believes it might be a sensible way to protect the investment and make sure it is used properly. The other option would be to ask Lea Andries to mind it in her office. However Mr Kehoe thinks it is not a good long-term solution as she would leave after two years. This is a detail that Jeroen and I can sort out with Mr Kehoe depending on what the board recommends.

In order to empower these young adults who are running the Media Club with the guidance of Mr Kehoe, I have asked these students to come up with a proposal to show how much responsibility they can show in managing this club. They have diligently worked during the last two months on this proposal which has been approved by Mr Kehoe and we have included their proposal below.

The list of items to be purchased are 3 cameras, 5 tripods, 2 sound equipment and 3 gimbals which are to be shared by over 30 members. Please note that the needs of the club are much more. The students have simply added the essential items to function as a club as we had given them a budget of roughly **2000€**.

See the list below.

The amount requested to support is for approximately **1935 €**.

We have evaluated the students proposal below and recommend supporting them as the need for continuation of such a positive academic project to enhance the entire school community is very much necessary at this point.

Best,
Sanjee and Jeroen

Media Club in a Nutshell

Who are we?

The media club is a group of students interested in film making and/or learning about the process of making a film.

How many are we?

We have 30 current club members and three student presidents running the club.

What do we do?

Teach students about film equipment, how to film, how to edit and about producing a film in general. Therefore, as we know what we are doing, we are frequently asked to film concerts, school events and other projects, such as advertisements and music videos.

How much do we do?

We're averaging around 35 projects per year for the past few years which is almost 1 per week (about 38 school weeks in the year)

How long have we done this?

This is the 5th year of the club.

Dear APEEE Board members,

Our three club presidents have been training peer students from September on and will continue doing so also the rest of the school year. Mr. Kehoe has taught us his tricks and since this is our third year in the club, we have learned a bunch, mostly from watching and listening to Mr. Kehoe. Next year we will choose someone trustworthy and experienced to take over after we have graduated.

Every week we will have a meeting (to discuss new projects or future plans) or a training to teach the other club members an additional skill. Also, there will always be a teacher supervising what the media club does, staying close by to help if there should be a problem. The students will respect and treat the equipment as if it were bought with their own money. We will make sure of that. We will also make sure the future presidents know how valuable the equipment is and that it will be treated with utmost care.

Since Mr. Kehoe is leaving EEB2 next year, he will be taking all of his equipment with him which means the Media Club is going to have to use other equipment. Below please find some equipment that we would need to keep the club running smoothly.

CAMERAS

The first and most important piece of equipment are the cameras. Since the newcomers sometimes do not have own cameras the media club would want to be able to lend them to the student. The cameras we have chosen are high end but still on the lower price range and perfect for beginners. During the past years Mr. Kehoe has had three cameras available to the students. This amount has enabled us to train the students quicker and more efficiently since they have not had to wait for a long time for their turn to try and improve their skills.

TRIPODS

Secondly, we have put five tripods on the list. They are essential for steady filming. We have used them to film every event that the club has filmed. It helps to keep the camera steady and therefore the produced videos are more pleasant to watch. Also, tripods can be used to do panning shots. Only a few students usually have their own tripod so it would be amazing if the media club would have some at hand.

SOUND EQUIPMENT

Sound equipment can provide a great audio for a video which makes a huge difference for the viewer. It can be used in concerts and has been used in other videos where people speak or sing.

GIMBALS

We have also added gimbals to our list. They enable the students to try filming different types of clips. Tripods are used to get shots only from one place but with gimbals the student can get shots while moving horizontally and/or vertically. If used correctly it can give a video a professional look.

Below please find the list of equipment, the links and prices.

Cameras x3

- Sony a6000

<https://www.amazon.de/Sony-Systemkamera-Megapixel-LCD-Display-SEL-P1650/dp/B00IE9XHEO>
518€ each (1554€)

Tripod x5

https://www.amazon.de/AmazonBasics-Leichtes-Stativ-3-Wege-Schwenkkopf-Wasserwaage/dp/B005KP473Q/ref=mp_s_a_1_4?__mk_de_DE=ÅMÅZÖÑ&qid=1542458235&sr=8-4&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_FMwebp_QL65&keywords=tripod
23€ each (115€)

Sound x2

https://m.thomann.de/be/rode_videomic_go.htm?gclid=EAlaIQobChMI5rfYn7nb3gIVA7DtCh2opADcEAQYASABEgJ9o_D_BwE
53€ each (106€)

Gimbal x3

https://www.amazon.com/Official-stabilizer-Limited-Midnight-Smartphone/dp/B00S10KFTC/ref=mp_s_a_1_6?ie=UTF8&qid=1542132080&sr=8-6π=AC_SX236_SY340_FMwebp_QL65&keywords=gimbal
65\$ each (195\$)

Total: 1775€ and 195\$
Approximately 1935 €

We thank APEEE in advance for supporting the Media Club and pledge to look after the equipment with responsibility.

Best regards,
Katriina, Aino and Inka (Presidents of the Media Club)

The work of the Media Club described by the students

Media club is a group of students who are fascinated about filming and film making. We film most, if not all, concerts our school organises. Students film the whole concert for people who want to see the full performance and they also produce a highlights video capturing the key moments from that evening. We have also been asked to film/do different projects that include an audition video for the choir, school events (like Eurosport) and even music videos. The videos are fully produced by the media club, from selecting students to film to editing and publishing it. Most of the work can be found on our school's YouTube channel called "EEB2 Belgium". However, some projects are not to be shared with the world and stay private.

One project that we were asked to do last year was a welcome video for new students. Board member Rose Forrest from APEEE suggested to do this to help new students to adapt to our school life easier and facilitate the change. It was a long project and took the whole last school year to finalize. A year ago we started to hold weekly meetings with Mrs Forrest from APEEE. We discussed the views that she had and the students suggested ideas which we then tried to incorporate all into the project. After a few months we started production. At this point the students were filming around the school. And finally, the video was edited and done. It was a huge success and has been said to be a big help for the new students that have arrived this September.

Another project that the media club has done in collaboration with APEEE was the canteen advertisement. It was also a long project but got completed a few months ago. This one was filmed in several weeks and the students filming were very dedicated. They had to come to school at six o'clock in the morning to film and some had to skip classes to get the shots that were needed for the video.

