APEEE General Meeting of 15 December 2016

DRAFT MOTION 1

Resolution on the languages used in teaching ICT, music, art and physical education in the secondary cycle

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CONSIDERING THAT

• The revision of the decision for the organisation of studies and courses in the European Schools [Ref.: 2011-01-D-33-en-9] foresees that:

" In secondary years 1-5, art, music, ICT and physical education are taught to mixed language groups in one of the three L2 (DE, EN, FR) or in the language of the host country. In secondary years 6-7, art, music (basic and option courses) and physical education are taught to mixed language groups in one of the three vehicular languages (DE, EN, FR) or in the language of th e host country."

FURTHER CONSIDERING THAT

Pupils in our school are choosing as Language 2: English 62,08%, French 32,47% and German 5,45% [Données sur la rentrée scolaire 2015-2016 des Ecoles européennes].
A great number of pupils in S1 through S3 do not have **any** or **sufficient** skills in a working language other than in their L2. This is particularly the case for pupils that are transferred to our school from a Member State at the secondary cycle or at the last primary classes.

CALLS UPON THE SCHOOL MANAGEMENT

• To avoid offering the courses of art, music, ICT and physical education in the Language 3 of the pupils.

• To take into consideration the linguistic competences of pupils in S1-S3 following these courses and ensure that when needed, teachers will help pupils in these courses using a language that the pupils can understand properly.

• Ensure that students are not examined in a language that they do not understand.

• Use multilingual teachers with the necessary qualifications so that they may teach these courses in the L1 or L2 of the pupils.

