



Minute of EFIK General Assembly **- 15th January 2026 -**

In presence of:

For the CG elected parents: Laurent Hay, Lydia Beaumont, Benoit Perraud, Prina Nepal, Alka Goyal

For the school Management: Maxence Gatignol, JY Deparis, Ashok Bandhari

Teachers' representative: Sylvie Casiulis

For the Embassy of France: Elsa Calley

Excused: Agathe Lhomme

For EFIK parents: 15 parents, including 5 CG Members (approx. 30 % of all students represented)

General Assembly timing: 18h10 to 19h.

Was on the agenda: Approving EFIK budget for the school year 2026/2027

Observation:

- **Introduction by EFIK President**, reminding all parents about the importance of attending General Assemblies as important decisions are taken during these meetings and it gives the opportunity to all to share their ideas.

The President also reminded that EFIK is a non-profit organisation, with the main goal being to have a balanced budget and not to make any profit, contrary to local schools of Nepal.

The President lastly pointed out the fact that the quality education of EFIK students is the top priority of CG Members and all school staff in general. And the budget takes that fact into consideration.

- **EFIK Treasurer** took over with a presentation of the proposed budget for the school year 2026/2027.

The Treasurer shared comparative figures of the ongoing budget and an insight of what could be the budget 2026/2027.

CG has decided to settle a budget based on 40 students + 6 new students that would enrol - considered to be a reasonable budget with a low risk of overestimation of the number of students.

The Treasurer then presented to parents the overall expenses that need to be considered to maintain the school infrastructure at a decent standard, to increase the level of education quality, to attract more children and to make the buildings better prepared against thermic insulation, pollution levels and safety for all.

The Maternelle compound has for instance already been upgraded, as well as a few windows of the main building. Sport equipment has been upgraded as well, with new volleyball/badminton nets and table tennis equipment. Additionally, a lot of tables and chairs have been replaced.

Some projects are being discussed and need to be incorporated in the budget, such as adding sport equipment, replacing some of the school laptops, upgrading the courtyard path, and also improving the canteen space to better accommodate children during high pollution days with windproof equipment.

The CG has also recently employed a marketing team to boost the popularity of the school and to expose it to a wider public.

- **EFIK Principal** has also added a comment on AEFÉ involvement in the French Schools network abroad. France is currently facing massive financial challenges, and all Ministries budgets are being strictly reviewed or cut. The AEFÉ, for the next budget, has decided not to increase its fees, but has ordered French schools abroad to cover themselves a part of the pension costs for their civil servants hired from France (in the case of EFIK, only the school Principal).

All these facts being considered, Treasurer has finally exposed with CG recommends for upcoming budget with the following changes to be approved by parents:

Conclusion :

Increasing the school admission fees

- Increasing the school admission fees by 5 %,
- Increasing the transport fees from 10,000 NPR to 12,000 NPR to keep the transport budget balanced,
- No change in the extra-curricular activities' fees,
- Reducing the security deposit from 1,000 EUR to 500 EUR (more attractive),
- Capital Investment which can be paid by instalments,
- No change in the canteen fees.

Treasurer also added reasons why this increase of budget is being proposed:

- No increase since the school year 2023/2024,
- Year 2024/2025 has seen a substantial inflation of 6-7 %,
- Contribution to AEFÉ new scheme,
- Annual salary adjustments of 3 % for all school staff,
- To upgrade the global quality of the school, its education provided, its infrastructure and its safety,
- The need of investing in marketing.

→ Submitted to vote to the parents and resolution adopted with 14 votes.

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Observation:

1 parent reminded that investing in marketing and making the school more popular is certainly a key factor to enrol more children, but having a strategy to keep existing children may also be considered.

School Principal also added that the main challenge is to keep children from Maternelle to CP (Grade 1).

Conclusion :

The CG takes a note of it and the subject might be discussed at a future monthly meeting.

Observation:

1 parent mentioned having her child newly enrolled in EFIK, and therefore new in the school community, asked the CG if the marketing strategy to be implemented had any target in terms of enrolment of new students.


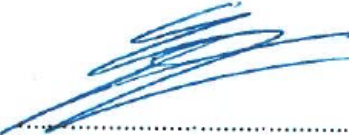

Conclusion :

The CG reminded all parents that such a campaign had never been implemented at EFIK. In the past, the movement between leaving students and new students was balanced because of the rotations in Diplomatic Missions and INGOs. This is no longer the case due to current Diplomatic and development context and the school now must enter in competition with local Nepalese schools having a strong business development plan with lucrative goals, which is not the case at EFIK (non-profit organisation).

But still, making EFIK more popular, known from more Nepalese families and more attractive remains necessary and the new marketing team will have to cope with it.

Next General Assembly will take place in June 2026 – date remains to be decided.

SIGNATURES

EFIK PRESIDENT	EFIK GENERAL SECRETARY	EFIK PRINCIPAL
Mr. Laurent HAY Date, signature Le 16/01/2026 	Mr. Benoît PERRAUD Date, signature Le 16/01/2026 	Mr. Jean-Yves DEPARIS Date, signature & EFIK stamp 

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