

Board of Management of Gorey Educate Together NS, 13th & 14th February 2014: report to families & staff

Attendees: Karen Loughran (Chairperson,) Raymond Swan (Secretary,) Colin Webb (Treasurer,) Allen Holman, Tracy Smith, Aideen O'Donnell, Angie Dooley, Sarah Anderson

Apologies: n/a

1. Minutes from previous meeting adopted, (Colin Webb, Allen Holman)

Matters arising:

Child Protection letter was circulated to families

Music Committee: names of staff & parent volunteers were passed to coordinator

Report to families and staff was agreed. Secretary to post on school website and Board mailbox.

2. **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer outlined his attendance at recent training event (hosted by Educate Together National Office.) A number of actions were agreed re: school accounts.

Procurement: new electricity provider. Two year contract now in place. Office of Government Procurement suggests a substantial annual saving.

Board decided to purchase a Microsoft OVS-ES license, (Open Value Subscription – Education Solution.) Benefits for the school, for staff and for families were outlined.

3. **Principal's Report**

Based on projected enrolment, the school should secure a Developing School teaching post again next year.

4. **Policy re: Job Sharing**

This policy was formulated following discussion.

5. **Anti-Bullying Procedures:**

Principal to circulate revised DES procedures to Board members in advance of next meeting.

6. **AOB:**

The recent severe weather was discussed in relation to its impact on the school community.

Date of next meeting: Monday 10th March 2014, 8pm at the school