

Board of Management of Gorey Educate Together NS, 23rd January 2018: report to families & staff

Attendees: Karen Loughran (Chairperson,) Raymond Swan (Secretary,) Colin Webb (Treasurer,) Louise Redmond, Allen Holman, Olive Doherty, Sarah Anderson

Apologies: Angie Dooley

Bereavement: The Board expressed its sympathy to teacher Katie Dunbar following the passing of her father Brian on January 19th.

1. Minutes from previous meeting adopted (Olive Doherty, Allen Holman)

Matters arising: -

Fire Safety Review: 'Total Fire Solutions' due to complete inspection (and report) in the coming weeks.

Accounts query. Reply from accountant's office to Treasurer.

The school is now registered with the Charities Regulatory Authority. Registered Charity Number: 20138684.

ICT update: 20 iPads due to be delivered in coming weeks from 'Wriggle Digital Schoolbag.' Total cost (incl. devices, protective cases, charging trolley, configuration) € (Quotation from Wright Insurance Brokers due in coming days.)

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

2. **Treasurer's Report** *Current balances (Reconciled 31st December 2017)*

Current account: €

School books account: €

Savings account: €

Credit Card: (€)

PayPal A/C €

Treasurer presented a summary of Financial Support Services Unit circulars to the Board, including wage increases for ancillary staff.

Principal to review contracts for ancillary staff in advance of next Board meeting.

3. **Staffing (Teachers)**

4. **Staffing (SNAs)**

5. **Child Protection**

The Principal reported to the Board in accordance with Department of Education and Skills Child Protection Circular 0065/2011.

6. **Anti-Bullying**

The Principal reported to the Board in accordance with Department of Education and Skills Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools, 2013.

7. **Policy Development: review of Job Sharing Policy (Teachers.)**

8. **Parent Teacher Association link**

'Eat Together' proposal, (school staff to discuss.) Winter Fair success, (despite smaller than usual turnout.) Next school disco: March.

9. **AOB:**

Summer Hire: the Board agreed a one-week hire to 'Summer Stars' (July 2018)

Date of Next Board Meeting:

Wednesday 21st February 2018, 8.00pm, at the school