

Board of Management of Gorey Educate Together NS, 3rd March 2021: report to families and staff

Attendees: Karen Loughran (Chairperson,) Colin Webb (Treasurer,) Raymond Swan (Secretary,) David Bolger, Olive Doherty, David O'Shea, Sarah Anderson

Apologies: - Angie Dooley

This meeting was held via Zoom, hosted by David Bolger.

1. **Minutes from previous meeting adopted** (Olive Doherty, David O'Shea)

Matters arising: -

Sarah Anderson relayed the congratulations of the Board of Creagh College on the establishment of Gorey Educate Together Secondary School. Additionally, the Principal of Creagh College offered his assistance to the Principal of the new school.

Conor Berry has been appointed as Principal of Gorey Educate Together Secondary School. A live information meeting will be hosted on Facebook/YouTube on March 9th. It is expected that the temporary location of the new school will also be announced around that date.

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

2. **Treasurer's Report**

Current account:	€
School books account:	€
Savings account:	€
Credit Card:	(€)
PayPal A/C	€

The school's Aladdin e-payments system is now live, (initially for After-School Supervision and Book List payments.)

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The school accounts 2019-2020 were discussed:

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The accounts were approved by the Board. Proposed by David Bolger. Seconded by Sarah Anderson.

The Board expressed its thanks to Colin Webb for his many hours of work on this matter.

Colin Webb thanked Noelle Gibson and Raymond Swan for their assistance.

3. **SNA Career Break Applications**

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4. **SNA Job Sharing Applications**

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The Board will revise the school's job-sharing policy for SNAs before January 2022, (in tandem with a review of the policy for teachers.)

David O'Shea to invite staff input during Term 3.

5. **Principal's Report**

School reopening update – the partial reopening of the school (special classes, Junior Infants – 2nd class) went to plan. Attendance is very high. Integration of special class pupils into their mainstream classes is continuing as normal. Everyone is reminded of the importance of rigorous adherence to infection prevention and control measures. New health declarations in place for families, (as recommended by the DES.) Lead Worker Representatives meeting: no concerns. Air Quality monitors: 2 ordered at a cost of €400, delivery expected around March 10th.

6. **AOB**

Facebook: Parents' Forum (positive reports / recommendations regarding Gorey ETNS. Recommending the school to new families.)

Work on new school website is underway, (David Bolger.) New photography of the school will be in use.

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Date of Next Board Meeting:

Wednesday 21st April 7.30pm (via Zoom if Level 5 restrictions remain in place)