Board of Management of Gorey Educate Together NS, 30th January 2024: report to families and staff

Attendees: Angie Dooley (Chairperson,) Raymond Swan (Secretary,) Tony Ahern (Treasurer,) Olive Doherty, Carol Scott, David Bolger

Apologies: David O'Shea

Board Membership: One community member position remains to be filled. --

1. Minutes from previous meeting adopted: Olive Doherty. Tony Ahern.

Matters arising:

New Permanent Deputy Principal: Mairead Jordan. (Aideen O'Donnell in acting role until September 2024.)

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

2. Treasurer's Report

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

Accounts 2022-2023 have been finalised by Doyle Fielding Accountants. Board to discuss same at next meeting.

A Department of Social Protection school meals programme will begin operating at GETNS from April 2024. The existing 'schoolbooks' account will become our dedicated school meals account. Annual funding is estimated at €219,456, based on €3.20 per meal.

3. Admissions

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4. Staffing

Career Break Applications approved: -- Job-Sharing Applications approved:

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5. Child Protection

The Principal reported to the Board in accordance with sections 9.4 to 9.8 of the Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools 2017.

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. Code of Behaviour

15 staff attended CPI [Crisis Prevention Institute] Safety Interventions refresher training on January 10^{th} .

Additional staff member to attend NCSE behaviour training during March. (3-day course)

8. **Revised Parental Complaints Procedure** (Applies to all schools.)

This was distributed and discussed.

9. PTA Link

Recent Winter Fair and Prize Raffle were commended.

February: Environmental SWAP event.

10. **AOB**

- The Board congratulated the school's quiz team on winning the local round of the Credit Union competition.
- The Board congratulated the school's science team on progressing to the National Final of the Intel Mini-Scientists competition.
- Olive Doherty to pass details of trad. musician to the principal.

Date of Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, 20th February 2024 at 7.30pm