

Board of Management Minutes Rathcoole ETNS

Venue	School building		
Date of Meeting	March 28th 2023		
Minutes taken by	Principal		
Apologies (initials)	JM, H mc D		
Present (initials)	GM, MR, , SC, Ao's, A, CM		
Time Meeting Opened	7.30 pm	Closed	9.00pm
Chairperson	Ao'S		

ISSUE:	DECISION/ACTION:	BY:
Welcome	All welcomed.	
Minutes of previous meeting	Minutes presented and adopted. Seconded and adopted.	Chairperson
Matters arising	No matters arising	
Ethos and Values	Statement about the ET Ethos and Values	Chairperson
Principals report	<p>Read and discussed. No questions arose.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wellbeing warriors are having a PJ day and other activities in term 3. • More team building and collaboration is being tried in staff meetings to make them useful. • Learn Together, topics of Friendship and anti bullying and Freedom and Inclusion have been covered in February and March. • Classes discussed Holi and what that means for those who celebrate • Staff organized lovely events for Seactaine na Gaeilge • Members of staff attended a community of practise session in Pelletstown ET to discuss Nurture and shared good practise • We have added 2 new school pets to our school-turtles named Toby and Tiny • Health and Safety issues were discussed • Fire drill for term 2 was completed. • Enrolment for this year and next year were discussed. • Attendance : February 87.5%, March 84.1% • Staffing-new ANA's started • Absences: Principal to ET conference and 2 staff to Nurture community of practise • SSE : this is now in it's final stages with surveys and focus groups being completed to inform the SSE report. • ICT: internet is fully installed • Covid grant for term 2 is being issued by the Department of Education • Anti-bullying-no issues 	GM

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Croke Park: Staff meetings • Behaviour- Neps, NCSE and Barnardos involved in cases where necessary. • Courses by Board members-A list of courses completed by members was shared. 	
Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Board discussed the cost of living crisis and how that impacts the school. • The new book grant was discussed • The gap between the funding received and the funding needed to run the school was discussed. 	
Treasurer	Discussed and adopted.	MR
CPOR	Read and adopt. To be signed and filed.	Principal
Review of Policies	Grievance policy and protected disclosures policy were read, discussed and updated. These will be updated on the website	Principal
Buildings	Update given on Permanent site. Update on temporary site given.	GM
Gratitude to staff	The Board of management thanks Gemma Maher for her continued work and the staff for their tireless efforts. The Board also thanks our secretary for the amazing work she completes each month on the budgets and accounts.	
Correspondence	Leave discussions and emails to be sent to all parties.	GM
Date of Next Meeting	June 20th in the school building.	

Signed by the Chairperson: Austin O' Sullivan Date: 29/3/23