Agreed report of Board of Management Meeting

9/5/22

Meeting opened with a prayer.

Minutes of previous zoom meeting were proposed and seconded. No matters arising. Minutes of previous meeting from March 7th were proposed and seconded. The agreed reports were finalised.

Matters arising from minutes:

March 7th: Board discussed outside agency involvement in school at March 7th meeting. Decision of Board is that no outside agencies are to be involved after school unless they are providing a direct service for the children of the school immediately after their school day.

Correspondence and Leave Requests:

Board agreed to all requests

- Sherpa Kids to support application for renewal of license.
- Request from parent to set up an afterschool exercise class for first/second class children.
 Board agreed to request subject to insurance cover, qualifications and subject to appropriate space being available.

Child Protection: No new referrals.

Bullying: No formal report of bullying has been made.

Principal's report:

Enrolment:

- Enrolment in the school is 432 with attendance at 93.1% in March 2023 and at 95.2% for April 2023.
- Follow up consultation with EWO was postponed due to illness.
- Staffing remains the same. School will retain 18th class teacher based on October enrolment.
- 3 fixed term posts have been advertised.
- Application received and accepted for place in special class.

School Works:

- School works a leak test was completed on Fri. April 28th. Results will inform correspondence with Emergency Works Dept.
- Received confirmation that Summer Works has been approved. Last communication from Department to school was to retender in February. Advertisement for work has been placed on E Tenders.

School Books:

• Book grant of €40,000 received. School has completed book order for September. Board decision that extra photocopying charges will not be covered due to possible reduction of books in the new book scheme.

Curriculum Development:

- Closure Monday May 15th to facilitate engagement with PLC webinars. Staff meeting on SSE will also take place on this day.
- Principal has applied for sustained support in SSE. Online consultation took place on March 29th with whole staff presentation before end of term.
- SSE discussions and work with PDST will inform policies for review.
- Mandatory policies are in place with exception of completion of the Anti-Harassment Policy. Work will continue on this policy in 23/24.
- Half day closure on June 2nd to facilitate staff engagement with Draft Primary Curriculum Framework.

Extra Curricular/School activities

- Choir recently participated in choral festival.
- Visit by Billy Kelleher with follow up article in Echo.
- School team in final of Munster school's Tennis, second team in semi-final of the Shield.
- School Active Week May 29th to June 2nd.
- Infant Welcome Afternoon on May 10th.
- Lena Martin Memorial Hockey blitz on May 15th.
- Instagram page has been created. School in process of gathering consent in relation to photos and social media through Aladdin.
- School tours organised for June. Parent volunteers all garda vetted.

Parents:

- Parents in 3rd,4th and 5th have enquired about running hockey blitzes for children in these classes. Blitzes will be run in Ursulines and Garryduff. Letter of indemnity has been requested by the Ursulines. Insurance provider of school can supply. BOM happy for the above to go ahead.
- PA organised wonderful communion reception for children on Saturday 6th May. Principal and BOM expressed thanks for organisation of such a lovely event.
- PA have proposed to hold a Fun Day on June 23rd. Principal has requested that insurance details of providers be shared with the BOM. Board agreed to event. Teachers must remain responsible for their pupils at all times and parents helping out must be garda vetted.

Treasurer's report:

• Humphrey distributed Income and Expenditure statements.

The next Board of Management meeting will take place on June 20th at 6pm. Zoom meeting to ratify appointments before that.

May 2023