

# Woodstock ETNS Board of Management Minutes

Venue	Woodstock ETNS		
Date of Meeting	21/11/23		
Minutes taken by	Yvonne Healy		
Apologies			
Present	Nicola Martin, Anne Gregory, Michelle McDermott, Yvonne Healy, Chris Walsh, Linda Norman, Grainne Ni Chuinn		
Time Meeting Opened	7:30pm	Closed	9:30pm

# **Chairperson Welcome:**

Minutes from previous meeting reviewed and ratified.

### **Principal Report:**

- Anti-Bullying & Child Protection CPOR There are no Child protection or Bullying issues to report within the school: Termly update;
- (i)The principal reports that there were **0** report of bullying behaviour amongst pupils since the last termly report presented on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023.
- (ii)All cases referred to at (i) above have been or are being, dealt with in accordance with the school's anti-bullying policy and the Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary schools

#### **Treasurer Report:**

Back Pay for Ancillary grant for Summer Secretary Pay received. Parental Contributions payments greatly help the school funds. Need to increase fundraising activity if possible. Meeting for yearly budget hand over for Newly nominated treasurer to take place in December as Michelle term ends after 4 years. Chairperson & Principal extend thanks for continued support.

#### **School Business:**

Brief Formulation Report: Following 2016 start date for Permanent Site. Niall Wall ET confirmed DES curtailed enrolments to only a Junior Infant cohort with no possibility of Autism Classes on this Temporary site – this is challenging as with have pupils with additional education needs that would benefit. Also DES propose 1 modular unit only for next year 2024 placed on Temp site - impacts enrolment figures & playground area. BOM will seek to clarify and lobby for playground area.

AGM: Chairperson appointed (Adam) 16/10/23. Parent reps from the BoM are encouraged to attend also.

Ukrainian pupils: The school are delighted to be welcoming our 8 new pupils – require EAL support as new to country and have no English. Nurture & EAL suggested. Tanya parent has offered to translate and attend for Parent Teacher meetings usually set in November/December. Importance is placed on creating welcoming, safe and secure climate. Teacher allocations confirmed on reaching enrolment numbers 31st September. As of November 7th we welcome two permanent staff members – Philip & Alison. (P + 3 +SET +NE EAL P/T):

SSE: Well-being & Literacy to be discussed at new BoM

New Maths Curriculum School closure December 11<sup>th</sup> – staff training Blackrock Ed Centre. ANA's & part-time SET in school.

The need for a School Caretaker was also discussed.

## Policies to review/ratify:

Anti-bullying, Child Safeguarding statement & risk assessment reviewed and ratified.

Admissions & Enrolment Policy: Start October 9th.

Educate Together Annual Child Safeguarding annual review checklist and notification & Anti-bullying annual review checklist and notification must be uploaded to Educate Together by December 1<sup>st</sup> 2023.

#### **BoM Change over:**

New Parental Nominees: Heather & Myles: Chairperson & Principal would like to sincerely thank all the members of the BoM for their dedication, time and support to the school over the past 4 years and wish the incoming BoM the very best for the future term.

<u>AOB</u>: Festive Winter Celebration Concert to be held 6:30pm @Newtownmountkennedy Community Centre – all welcome – PAC Bake sale & children performances/Ukulele

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

Anne Gregory Chairperson

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