

# Esker Educate Together Board of Management Minutes

Venue	Zoom		
Date of Meeting	13 <sup>th</sup> March 2023		
Chairperson	Ciara McMackin	Minutes by	Tania Daly
Present	Angela McMurray Gemma Curry Tania Daly Sandra Russe Peter Murphy John Reilly	Apologies	Damon Rogers
Time meeting opened	7.30pm		
Time meeting closed	9.00pm		
Attached to hard copy	<input type="checkbox"/> Principal's Report <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer's report <input type="checkbox"/> Anti-bullying oversight report <input type="checkbox"/> Child protection oversight report <input type="checkbox"/> Adamstown CC admissions policy <input type="checkbox"/> New building documents (full report, Stage 2A completion cert etc).		
Topic	Detail/ decisions		Future actions
1. Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approved.</li> </ul>		
2. Matters arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None.</li> </ul>		
3. Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Correspondence was shared by secretary and discussed.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ SLT rate revision approved.</li> <li>○ CPD funding request approved.</li> <li>○ June EPV days approved.</li> <li>○ SNA job-share request granted.</li> <li>○ Teacher letter regarding video-recording discussed – BOM agrees to update relevant policies to ensure parents agree to not record staff.</li> <li>○ BOM noted letter from a parent regarding traffic safety concerns on the grounds.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		<p>Gemma to add rules around video recording to the relevant policy/ forms.</p> <p>BOM to investigate traffic safety measures.</p>
4. Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treasurer's report was shared by treasurer.</li> <li>• Sandra highlighted that we need to be cautious with electricity and heating spend.</li> <li>• Thank you to Sandra for getting the end of year report in on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023, this was a significant undertaking.</li> <li>• Teachers will be tracking budget closely.</li> </ul>		Gemma to circulate document for tracking spend.
5. Principal's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Principal read aloud the report.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Principal highlighted the challenges we are experiencing due to the staffing crisis.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Reminder of priorities:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ New building (currently at Stage 2A).</li> <li>○ Esker Loves Books (took place).</li> <li>○ Learning initiatives (e.g. Lift Off in 1<sup>st</sup> Class).</li> <li>○ Assessment.</li> <li>○ iPad training (ongoing)</li> <li>○ Amber Flag (April).</li> <li>○ Learn Together Whole School Plan (ongoing).</li> <li>○ Gaeilge (SnaG this week plus ongoing).</li> <li>○ DEIS plan – year 2.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

6. Children protection oversight report. Anti-bullying oversight report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Principal read aloud the report.</li> <li>Anti-bullying: all classes have conducted the surveys as outlined in the policy. The principal gave an update.</li> <li>Different families, same love lessons to be taught in May 2023.</li> <li>RSE Croke Park hour on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March.</li> </ul>	
7. Funding requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request for funding for web safety talk for 5<sup>th</sup> Class and parents (€350 – approved).</li> <li>Funding for staff wellbeing initiatives – to be approved subject to end of year accounts approval.</li> <li>Contribution to staff fundraiser for Turkey earthquake (approved).</li> </ul>	Staff wellbeing funding to be reviewed once end of year accounts are finalised.
8. Admissions Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adamstown CC – policy is changing with regards to Esker ETNS presence on the priority list. Students living near Adamstown will still be catered under a higher priority band (catchment area).</li> </ul>	
9. Building update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Now at Stage 2A.</li> <li>Detailed documents available as hard copy.</li> </ul>	
10. Traffic Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>While review is ongoing it is proposed that a letter be drafted to put safety first.</li> <li>Serious review needed.</li> </ul>	Gemma to review the resources including garda.ie school gate risk guide and SDCC school road safety.
11. BOM Changeover	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BOM Changeover December 2023</li> <li>Inform patron by 26<sup>th</sup> April of any changes, if any.</li> </ul>	BOM members to consider whether or not they would like to do another term.
12. Date of next meetings	AP2 ratification – Wednesday morning 8am. Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	