

Esker Educate Together Board of Management Minutes

Venue	Zoom		
Date of Meeting	3 rd October 2023		
Chairperson	Ciara McMackin	Minutes by	Tania Daly
Present	Gemma Curry Tania Daly Sandra Russe Peter Murphy John Reilly Damon Rogers	Apologies	Angela McMurray
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"/> Admissions policy – approved <input type="checkbox"/> Admissions notice - approved <input type="checkbox"/> Child protection review - approved <input type="checkbox"/> Child safeguarding statement- approved <input type="checkbox"/> Child risk assessment review - approved <input type="checkbox"/> Anti-bullying review - approved		
Topic	Detail/ decisions		Future actions
1. Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved. 		
2. Matters arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. 		
3. Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-consent notifications – teachers notified. • Unpaid leave request approved. • Communication from Forsa (ANA trade union) regarding 72 hours 		
4. Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treasurer's report was shared by treasurer. • Sandra and Gemma to do some training regarding data entry. 		
5. Principal's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal read aloud the report. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BOM confirmed continuing with the 26 student cap per class. ○ Principal highlighted the challenges of recruitment currently due to teacher shortage. • Review of priorities last year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New building (currently at Stage 2B). ○ Esker Loves Books (took place in Feb). ○ Learning initiatives (e.g. Lift Off in 1st Class). ○ Assessment. ○ iPad training (ongoing) ○ Amber Flag (April). ○ Learn Together Whole School Plan (completed) ○ Gaeilge (ongoing). ○ DEIS plan – year 2, met and exceeded targets. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priorities for year ahead. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New BOM ○ New maths curriculum. ○ New curriculum framework ○ ECAs ○ Code of behaviour ○ Restructure of committees ○ DEIS plan Year 3 ○ Yard • Other: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Student committees will be in place in January. ○ Funding may be requested for Gaeilge levelled readers (subject to budget availability). ○ New child protection guidelines issued so edits needed. ○ New curricular regarding Home School. 	
6. Children protection oversight report. Anti-bullying oversight report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal read aloud the reports 	
7. Anti-bullying resources - updated class survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New surveys were approved. 	
8. BOM rollover	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New parent nominees and new teacher nominee to be elected. • First meeting of new BOM will be in December. • Peter Murphy will act as temporary chairperson during December/ January. 	
9. Policy ratify	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Admissions policy – approved • Admissions notice - approved • Child protection review - approved • Child safeguarding statement- approved • Child risk assessment review - approved • Anti-bullying review - approved 	
10. DEIS plan – year 2 review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exceeded all targets. 	
11. Building update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stage 2B • Estimated 2025 for building 	
12. Date of next meetings	<p>Tuesday 21st November – current BOM</p> <p>Tuesday 12th December – new BOM (Peter to act as deputy chair)</p> <p>February (Tuesday, date TBC)</p>	