

Esker Educate Together Board of Management Minutes

Venue	Zoom		
Date of Meeting	21 st November		
Chairperson	Ciara McMackin	Minutes by	Tania Daly
Present	Ciara McMackin Gemma Curry Tania Daly Sandra Russe John Reilly Peter Murphy Angela MacMurray	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"/> Critical Incident Policy		
Topic	Detail/ decisions		Future actions
1. Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved. 		
2. Matters arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Accounts will be used for data-entry for 2 years. Will be reviewed in Year 2. 		
3. Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correspondence was shared by secretary and discussed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Devices in 6th – maintenance to be considered as first port of call. Grant also to be considered. 		<p>John will take a look at one of the devices to see if maintenance is an option.</p> <p>Devices to be considered for inclusion on STEM grant application.</p>
4. Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treasurer's report was shared by treasurer. 		
5. Principal's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principal read aloud the report. Proposal to reduce class number to 26 to 25. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposal was approved by all members of board. Principal stressed the challenges of the staffing crisis. Emergency lights needed for after-dark emergencies. Fire and safety equipment need to be checked/ replaced. 		Gemma to review next steps for emergency lights/ fire and safety equipment.
6. Children protection oversight report. Anti-bullying oversight report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principal read aloud the report. CP and AB policy submitted to Patron Educate Together on 18th October 2023 		
7. Policy ratify & rationale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Critical Incident policy was ratified. 		
8. New Sports kit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New sports kit has been launched after a year long process lead by Heidi and involving many stakeholders. 		

<p>9. BOM Rollover</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gemma and Ciara gave individual thanks to each member of the board for their service over the past four years. <p>Members who are staying on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gave permission for Gemma to share email addresses with Educate Together. • Complete: Children First - Child protection training - every 2 years - need cert https://www.tusla.ie/children-first/children-first-e-learning-programme/ • Read: Governance manual 2023 - 2027 https://www.gov.ie/en/policy-information/143bed-schools-boards-of-management/#governance-manual-for-primary-schools 	<p>Gemma to remove email addresses from website.</p> <p>Gemma to share email addresses with ET.</p> <p>BOM members who are staying on are to complete the training and read manual.</p>
<p>10. Date of next meeting</p>	<p>Tuesday 16th January.</p>	