

# Clonturk Community College – PGTA

## Minutes of Meeting held on 30.4.19

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**Present:** Kathy, Aisling, Niamh, Liz, Katie, Martha, Fiona, Anne.

- **Minutes of last meeting:** Agreed
- **Report from Vice Principle (Kathy presented same):**
  - **New Principle :** Wesley O’Hagan has been appointed. She is a former vice principal of Donabate. Wesley was introduced to the committee at the meeting and is enthusiastic to continue the good work that the school has carried out thus far under the same ethos.
  - **Whistle Blast :-** musical group that assists students in writing and performing their own music. This is a composition project for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Year students. Performance took place on 29/4/19 in Tralee with performances due in Concert Hall and Ballina in May, in conjunction with other schools around the country. Great experience for participating students.
  - **Rediscovery:** Visit has been organised for 1<sup>st</sup> year students.
  - **SCC - Athletics –** 80 students signed up, a great chance to meet other schools.
  - **Sports Day:** Planned for last Wednesday of final term, sun screen & drinks recommended
  - **Carlingford :** First year trip took place before Easter and was very successful.
  - **2<sup>nd</sup> Year :** Visit to Butlers Chocolate Factory has taken place. Keen to collaborate with school and have offered TY work experience for current 3<sup>rd</sup> years
  - **Lidl Sponsorship:** School has won sponsorship for 24 jerseys, full kit, water bottles, training bag. GAA kit to be picked by girls team, team name to be put included in Irish.
  - **Exam Timetable:** 13<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> May for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> year, study timetable incorporated into timetable. Students to attend school as normal during this period. Study blocks for 3<sup>rd</sup> years in 2 hourly intervals have been organised during exam week.
  - **School Closure:** 24<sup>th</sup> May for voting
- **Mobile Phone for texting:** Aisling reported back on pricing of mobile phones. Purpose of phone is for texting re PGTA events. This must be managed by PGTA committee members. Some providers have limited number of texts per month (inc web texting). . Pay as you go option has to be topped up by set amount monthly. GDPR will require parents to be asked to opt out of PGTA texting. Vodafone currently best value, €20 per month , unlimited texts. Aisling to explore technical side of things. All in agreement to purchase a phone for this purpose of less than €100 in value.
- **Susan’s Gift :** Monies from bank account forwarded to Aisling for purchase of same.
- **Bank Account:** Letter approved and to be signed and sent by Anne.
- **Fitness & Well Being :** Anne has explored same. Mostly day activities with Dublin City Council, doesn’t suit school community.
- **Cycle Right Programme:** Teaches student body how to cycle safely. Practical experience provided also. Fiona to follow-up on costs/ information and feedback to committee. May be suitable for incoming 1<sup>st</sup> years. Of note the Community Guard has visited the school re road safety.
- **Garda Vetting:** Garda vetting forms to be circulated to all committee members. All current committee members to fill in, have verified with Gill and send on before term end.
- **Afternoon Tea:** Successful event. Next year we should encourage people who cannot attend to buy raffle tickets. A few places not used up on the day. €1360 raised for event.

- **Susan's Assemby:** Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May @1.30 pm, student led assembly , speeches from students. Music and speech from Corinne. PGTA to attend where possible and present gift & flowers . Ethical Education Showcase and Bake sale in aid of School project in Uganda to take place after assembly (approx. 3pm.) Parents to be invited to celebrations from 3pm. Chairperson & Secretary invited to evening celebration (limited numbers – hence only 2 invitations). Chairperson to speak on behalf of PGTA at evening dinner.
- **BBQ:** Date set for 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019 – sub committee to be convened before next meeting.
- **BBQ Plan: 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019 2.00 – 5.00 pm**
  - Sub-committee meeting to take place next week (Niamh to arrange)
  - Focus on community event and games that are more suitable for older children to get involved
  - Suggested Games :
    - Bouncy castle obstacle course - (Pauline )
    - Beep Test – Kathy to ask Rosa for same
    - Ask children what games they would like
    - Connect 4
    - Coin on chocolate (charge for this game)
    - Treasure Hunt (Martha)
  - Numbers to be confirmed for insurance purposes
  - New Payment System:
    - Entry Fee to include burger/sausage & drink & free games
    - €10 Child / €5 Adult €25 for family of 4+
  - Wheel of fortune raffle.
    - Individual raffle for each prize , eg. 24 tickets x €2
    - Fiona to purchase wheel in Lidl and provide tickets
  - Music & PA system available (confirmed by Kathy)
  - Anna to draft poster and invite with RSVP. (include admission price & details of event)
  - Student Council to be asked to participate in helping. (Kathy)
  - New fundraising letter to be drafted & circulated (Liz)
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> hand book store , donations of books (Martha)
  - Gazebo (Martha)
  - Coin change on the day required for raffle & prizes
  - Bring Receipts on day for any purchases
  - Extra Extension leads required (bring some with you)

**Next Meeting :** TBC - September 2019