

Clonturk Community College PTGA Minutes

16th January 2018

Present: Brendan, Debbie, Corinne, Avril, Kathy, Anna, Martha, Anne, Bernie, Niamh

Apologies: Genevieve, Hazel, Etain

Brendan had produced an agenda which allowed organised discussion

- Committee numbers, The discussion resulted in agreement that the committee needs to be equally representative of all years going forward. It is anticipated numbers will increase as the school grows.
- E-mail address. Anne is happy to set it up and to confirm the exact name.
- Monitoring is initially by members of the PTGA. Anne is happy to provide answers as needed with Martha and Avril to back up. This will be aided by summary of emails and 2^o back up from the Committee Meeting as needed.
- Students and cycling safety was requested by a parent to be discussed. It included safety helmets and hi-vis jackets. The committee confirmed that this topic has been formalised in the school. The RSA have attended the school. It is a difficult issue to police unless within the school grounds. The school already have an internal caution/merit method in place. Suggestions include 1) a PTGA prize for the use of safety gear as mentioned above, 2) discussion with the Student Council around the issue, 3) invitation to be extended to the RSA.
- Other issues for discussion remaining include a yellow box and clarification of the role of the cycle lane on a pathway.
- Afternoon tea Fundraiser,
- Following extensive research by Debbie, the Skylon Hotel has been agreed on with a cost of €22.50 per person. They have a suitable room in the back which will definitely hold 60 and Debbie will confirm as up to 80 may be accommodated but this is not yet confirmed. Some children will be present to provide musical entertainment and also help with spot prizes. The date agreed is the 25th February at 2-5pm. Outstanding issues include advertising of the event. The school is happy to do this on its social media, printing and selling of tickets. It is hoped that some committee members will be present at the school on the mornings and afternoons of the 31st January 1st and 2nd of February to collect money for tickets. Parking is free at the event.
- Attendance Strategy. Drafts were passed out for review. Certain aspects may be reviewed by the school as the year progresses. Absences are visible on VSware. They are marked and explained. Within the school if an absence is on behalf of the school

merits would be awarded. Further feedback is sought at the next meeting prior to sign off.

- Mobile Phone Policy. Drafts were passed out for review. It was strongly recommended that the title should be Electronic Communication Devices Policy as a number of devices can act to the extent of mobile phones. Any issues outside of the school are advised to be brought to the attention of the Gardai. Within the school there is zero tolerance of deviation from the policy. Further feedback is sought at the next meeting prior to sign off.
- Relationship and Sexual Education Policy. Drafts were passed out for review. Review of this document prior to next meeting is hoped for to allow for further discussion.
- It was confirmed that funding is hoped for basketball kit for the team. Samples of shirts were handed out.
- School jackets with the school colours are currently being discussed by the Student Council.
- A logo is planned for the school but is not yet available.
- A draft plan of the temporary addition to the school was shown to the committee.

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Proforma for treasurer was mentioned and agreed.

Copies of minutes for next meeting

Date of next Meeting 20th February 2018.