

## Clonturk Community College – PGTA

### Minutes of Meeting held on 29.1.19

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**Present:** Corinne, Kathy, Ann, Niamh, Debbie, Liz, Martha, Bernie.

- **Minutes of last meeting:** Agreed
- **Report from Vice Principle:**
  - **Extra- curricular:** School currently drafting extra curricular calendar for next year, forced engagement does not work. Plan for musical performance next year, suggested Friday lunchtime to engage as many as possible from all years.
  - **Senior Cycle Information Evening:** Held on 21.1.19. Feedback was positive, very informative, good to hear information about Junior Certificate. Plan to engage 2<sup>nd</sup> year parents re Junior Cycle in September/October.
  - **TY:** Discussed at above meeting, positive response, will go ahead. Work experience dates have been circulated. Three x one week cycle, one to include community based work. Parents advised to source places now. Work experience available on other dates/ abroad will be encouraged once meaningful, student may be asked to provide journal for work sourced abroad.  
**TY Dates are:**
    - 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> October 2019
    - 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020
    - 30<sup>th</sup> March – 4<sup>th</sup> April 2020
- **Enrollment 2019:** Enrollment process has been completed for this year. 168 students have accepted places with approx. 20 students on a waiting list. By 2021/2022 there will be approximately 600-700 students in the school. School extension (extra classrooms) build is planned for June/ July 2019. CDETB are focused on moving plans forward for New School Building to cope with these numbers.
- **Parent Teacher Meeting:** Difficult to run, not everyone happy with process. Parents invited to email in with suggestions for better way to run.
- **1<sup>st</sup> Year Options:** Now available on VSWare
- **Child Protection Act:** As part of this act school must have a Designated Liaison Person (DLP) . ??? is person for Clonturk. DLP must act on reports from student, ceannaire, parent. Where a child is deemed at risk, DLP must report to TUSLA. Parent will be informed of any issues that have occurred at the school with regard to this act. Information is displayed in school. Safety at home & in school is taught in SPSE – Health & Well-being.

- **Sponsored Walk:** €3000 raised by students for Temple Street. Representative from the charity coming to the school to collect cheque
- **Digital Excellence:** Anna engaged with 4 other schools in delivering a module where coding & electronics are used to make items. Funding of €600 is sought from PGTA for purchase of 2<sup>nd</sup> hand laptops (12) to support this initiative. All present were in favour of same. **Funding agreed.**
- **Zeeko Training:** Funding of €790 is sought to provide one day cyber-bullying/ on-line relationship training to students and parents. All present were in favour of same. **Funding agreed.**
- **Basketball Kits:** Sample of basketball kits were circulated. Sponsorship received from Maxol for 20 kits.
- **BBQ:** Request to change date to 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2019. Sub-committee to be set up
- **Bag Packing:** December date cancelled due to lack of participants. Bernie to seek another date for September 2019. Parents to be written to, to ask for assistance.
- **IPAD Insurance:** Insurance has been paid this year. Reminder comes to school. Need for digital diary for reminder of same.
- **Mobile Phone for texting:** Suggestion to purchase mobile phone (Tesco). Unlimited texting available for €20 per month. Would allow for more parent texting/ engagement. GDPR guidelines would need to have an opt in/ out option. School would not have time to manage this process.
- **Bank Account:** Niamh to draft response letter based on comments at meeting, for sign off at next meeting.
- **Operation Transformation:** Na Fianna have agreed to Clonturk joining them on Monday nights @ 7pm. Thanks to Ann for organising same.
- **Treasurer:** Avril unavailable to fulfil role of treasurer. Debbie to discuss with Aisling if she is happy to proceed alone.
- **Garda Vetting:** Garda vetting forms to be circulated to all committee members

**Next Meeting : Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019@7pm**