

PTA MINUTES

Meeting: 22nd November 2012

Present:

Lorraine Ward	Chairperson
Shane O Mahony	Treasurer
Jim Keating	Secretary
Ashling Dyson	BOM Rep
Ciarán Gray	Teacher Rep
David Delaney	Patron Rep (Chairperson)
Lynn Jackson	
Deirdre Murray	
Tom O Donnell	

Chairperson's report

- Lorraine welcomed and introduced David Delaney, Patron Chairperson.
- Minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed. They were then signed by the Chairperson as an official record.
- A thank you letter was received from Childline in appreciation of €288 raised at our recent breakfast event.

BOM report

A long report from the public minutes was read out by Ashling, some of the headings were:

- Finance
- building maintenance
- Days that may need to be made up for school closure due to inclement weather (not an issue so far)
- school planning

Treasurer's report

Shane is in the process of identifying monies lodged to the PTA bank account and doing a report for the AGM.

Patron report

David gave a detailed account of both immediate issues and outlined the importance for long term planning. Some of the immediate issues were:

- fundraising and the possibility of the children being involved
- meetings with local politicians
- ways of dissemination of information to the various stake holders
- Corporate sponsorship in keeping within Educate Together ethos, etc.

Teachers Report

Ciaran gave a valuable input on the issue of cancellation of the Christmas plays. Very frank views were expressed both on the content and process of how the parent body were informed. Issue will be explored at the staff meeting.

A.O.B.

- AGM will be end of February.
- date of the next meeting to be decided.
- meeting ended.

Appendix to minutes

1. Please accept my apologies for sending minutes out late.
2. Date for next meeting: Wednesday 23rd January 8.30 p m.
3. I have researched speakers for the AGM, Suggested topic: Cyber safety.
 - a. N.P.C.- primary schools, D V D 2.5 hours long, needs full evening, €50 (NPC members)
 - b. E-Safety (esafety.ie), interactive talk @40 min plus @20min Q&A. Fee: €250 plus fuel. This group come highly recommended due to a presentation they gave in another primary school. They are presenting at the IPPN principal's conference shortly.
 - c. Ideas for other topics?