

Agreed Report.

- Attendance: all 8 members attended
- Opening prayer was lead by Fr. John Garvey

- Enrolment applications for Junior Infants for the coming school year were examined and all applications were approved. Any further applications (for all class levels) will be considered, depending on class numbers, on a case by case basis. Notifications will issue immediately and places for junior infants must be accepted by May 7th.

- The Treasurer, Ms. Rita Moore, presented the financial statements of income and expenditure for the months since the last board meeting and confirmed they were in line with budget targets. She also confirmed that the School accounts for the school year 2019-2020 were with the Auditor, Mr. Dolphin, whose responsibility it is to forward his report to FSSU and provide a copy for the School Patron, Dr. Michael Duignan, Bishop of Clonfert.

- The Principal gave his Report to Board members on the following:
 1. Staffing for the coming year remains at current level and current personnel. It is expected that the school will continue to be the base school for the 3 strong Substitute Supply Panel. Details of SNA Allocation for the 21/22 school year are awaited and expected to issue from the NCSE by early May.
 2. The statutory Child Safeguarding Oversight Return.
 3. Home schooling during the January February closure, including use of online platforms and measures to support pupils with additional needs.
 4. Update on class closure due to a positive Covid 19 case.
 5. Parent Teacher meetings conducted by phone were reported to be very successful.
 6. Congratulations extended to Ms. Rachel Coen on successful completion of Probation facilitated by the Droichead Personnel, Aine Bleahene and Majella O'Rourke.
 7. Parents Association Chairperson, Caroline Treacy, organised a group of parents to help with the return to school- morning assembly- in March, which was very helpful in getting all the classes entering the school grounds safely and efficiently between 9:10 and 9:25am.
 8. School Improvements: All classes have now had upgraded shelving/presses installed; an outside classroom play area for infants is nearing completion as is the restoring of the pitch following the installing of the new fencing.
 9. Staff Professional Development: Many of the teachers and Special Needs Assistants availed of the school closure to up-skill themselves to cater for the new demands presented by having to move to more online delivery of the

curriculum. In response the Board members expressed satisfaction and commended the staff on their efforts to continue to deliver a first class service to all the pupils in the school.

10. Finally the Principal noted the huge support given by the *In school management team- Ms. Bleahene, Ms. O'Rourke, Ms. C. Gallagher, Ms. Power and Ms Farrell*. New practices and protocols were readily adopted to meet the demands of the current changed circumstances. The Board members concurred and expressed thanks to the whole staff for their teamwork and remarkable commitment to the children.

Sacraments: Fr. Garvey stated that the celebration of Confirmation and First Communion would be in line with Government guidelines and the Diocese would issue a timetable in due course.

CPSMA: Board Representative, Carmel Stack, gave her account of the recent regional meeting