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Agreed Report of Board of Management Meeting Loreto Clonmel

30th January 2023 via Videocall

Time: 6 pm

Opening prayer / Reflection

Mary Ward Compass: *Embracing and affirming diversity:*

A Mary Ward school today embraces diversity as a mirroring of the wonder of Creation. Seeing the image of God in human diversity, we encourage the young to discover their interdependence so they each find their own dignity – “I am because you are” – and feel truly affirmed and included.

In attendance: John Kidd, Mark Kehir, Anne Keating, Oongh Duffy, Mary Ryan, Tomás O’Gorman, Michele Culliton, Derry Kelly, Anne McGrath as secretary to the Board

Adoption of Agenda: Proposed By: Mary Ryan Seconded By: John Kidd

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Special meeting 1st December 2022: Proposed By: Anne Keating Seconded By: Oonagh Duffy

Special meeting 5th December 2022: Proposed By: John Kidd Seconded By: Mary Ryan

12th December 2022: Proposed By: Oonagh Duffy Seconded By: Mark Kehir

13th December 2022: Proposed By: Anne Keating Seconded By: Mary Ryan

Special Meeting of 19th January 2023 (7pm): Proposed By: John Kidd Seconded By: Oonagh Duffy

Special Meeting of 19th January 2023: (7.30pm): (Ratification of Child Safeguarding statement)

Proposed By: Michele Culliton Seconded By: Mary Ryan

Correspondence All correspondence received was read to the Board.

Finance: Balances were read to the board. The FSSU confirmed receipt of the schools signed accounts, this submission fulfils the financial reporting obligations of the Department of Education.

Principal’s Report: the principal mentioned the following in the report to the board:

- School Activities as reported through the Monday Memo: a list of activities was read to the board.
- Special Classes: The Board are unanimously in favour of moving into the area of Special Classes. The school awaits a visit for the Department to further research this proposal.
- Mock Exams for junior and leaving cert students began on 30th January.
- 5th Year Subject Choice & TY Applications information nights for both were held in December. Applications for TY stand at 70
- Parents Association: A meeting will be held soon with the possibility of a whole school community activity being held in this academic year.

Middle Leadership and Management: The principal sought and was given permission to start the interview process for the planned Leadership and Managements posts.

School Self Evaluation: Whole School Support Plan will be ready for the next meeting.

Policy reviews and development: Policies ratified on the night:

- *Work Experience Policy for TY and LCVP students:* Proposed By: Mary Ryan, Seconded By: Mark Kehir
- *One to One teaching and guidance:* Proposed By: Michele Culliton, Seconded by: Derry Kelly
- *Social Media Policy* Proposed By: John Kidd Seconded By: Anne Keating

JMB Report: A report was read to the board.

Agreed Report: The Board discussed the contents of its Agreed Report to be placed on the school website.

Date of next meeting: 13th March 2023 at 6pm in the school building.

Anne McGrath, Secretary to Board of Management. 30th January 2023.