



TEMPLE
CARRIG
SCHOOL

Parent Teacher Association 15th January 2018 - Minutes

Meeting Attendance: Elaine O'Brien, Alan Cox, Eoin Condon, Lianne Connolly, Louise Gaskin, John McGuinness, Caroline Galligan, Robert Downey, Catherine Young, Amber Craughwell, Grainne Coleman.

1. Welcome

Name	Role	House & Year/s of Child/ren	Initials
Elaine O'Brien	Chairperson	Altidore 2	EOB
Brenda McParland	Vice-Chairperson	Kilruddery 2	BMcP
Lianne Connolly	Secretary	Tinakilly 1 & 4	LC
Catherine Young	Treasurer		CY
Grainne Coleman	Compass Representative	Powerscourt 2	GC
Caroline Galligan	PR & Newsletter	Altidore 2, Tinakilly 2	CG
Eoin Condon	Fundraising Committee	Tinakilly 2 & 4	EC
Fionnuala O'Hara	Fundraising Committee	Powerscourt 1 & 2	FOH
Louise Gaskin	Fundraising Committee	Powerscourt 1 & 4	LG
Ken Kennedy	Committee	Avondale 3 & 4	KK
Alan Cox	Principal		ACox
Pauline Dallaghan	Committee	Avondale 2 & 4	PD
Robert Downey	Committee	Avondale 1	RD
Eilish Dempsey	Committee	Tinakilly 3	ED
Mark Lloyd	Committee	Powerscourt 1 & 3	ML
John McGuinness	Teacher Representative		JMG
Rose Dillon	Teacher Representative		RDL
Amber Craughwell	Board of Management Representative	Bellevue 1 & 4	ACra
Liza Hynes	Board of Management Representative	Kilruddery 1 & 4	LH

2. Apologies: Pauline Dallaghan, Mark Lloyd, Brenda McParland, Ken Kennedy, Fionnuala O'Hara; Eilish Dempsey

3. Minutes from last meeting

These were deemed read and approved.

They will be published on the PTA section of the TCG website.

A reminder to members to complete the GDV process if not already completed.

4. Correspondence:

One item of correspondence to PTA mailbox but it was school related.

Note on newsletter to remind parents about process for contacting school and what is deemed to be school related issues rather than PTA related issues.

Smile solution mouth guards – will be back again in September 2018.

5. Financial Report:

Mulled wine cost of €175 means we are €173 euro in the red. Not a concern at the moment.

6. Principal's Report/Feedback:

November placement of Christmas exams meant December worked much better but reports required a lot of proof reading and were still slightly delayed.

March 6th School will be closed for training and ISTU confirming 2 other days for training will be required at some stage in this year.

Junior cycle planning information nights for parents -

Leaving cert planning information night confirmed on Jan 17th

Nationwide teacher shortage and impacting TCG also. Finding substitute teachers is getting very difficult. This is expected to continue into the future.

Local IT support being decided to replace Wriggle rollout for next entrance year as it would reduce the cost for parents if it was internally rolled out.

Website being updated by Mr. O'Briain

Photos of PTA committee members and minutes to be sent to Catherine.

7. Board of Management Report:

Nothing to report.

8. Fundraising Committee Summary Report:

Members of this committee include: (not complete)

Louise, Eoin, Amber, Ken, Aisling, Almha Mc Carthy, Shane O'Neill.

9. PTA Programme of Activities for 2017/2018

9.1. Building Community

Welcome Day.

Ideas around a community day and allow existing and new parents to meet and chat with others before the students adventure starts.

9.2. Supporting Parents

EOB, BMcP discussed 3 topics to kick off this area (Cyber, Alcohol & Drugs) – further discussion on getting contacts to give talk to students and parents. Idea of having a joint 'Greystones Talks' with St. David's, maybe ability to podcast.

JC Reform – school planning information for parents – next academic year.

Discussion on School reports and understanding levels/grade/effort. More explanation required.

9.3. Fundraising Initiatives

Action plan drafted, individual items will be managed as it progress's.

Annual Fair; School Ball/Dance; TCG 333 Club; Annual Golf Classic – see below

Annual Golf Classic

- Correspondence to be issued to parents around Golf Classic fundraiser on 27th April 2018.
- Email address of contacts to be agreed.
- Event details and sponsors of Golf teams to be gathered.
- Louise and Liza are the main contacts.
- PTA to organise a raffle open to all but Garda permit required – Subcommittee required - members to include Eoin, Robert, Grainne and Another.
 - 10 main prizes to be printed on tickets and ideally broken down into 1st prize being family related, 2nd prize phone or console related.
 - Other ideas of Hampers, Wines, etc.
 - Letter to get local business' to sponsor raffle prize
 - PTA raffle to be held in the school
 - €2 per ticket or book of 6 for €10
 - Ideally expand sale of tickets via local events that maybe on, maybe table in Tesco.
- Letters to be set out to parents.
- Golden ticket to be sold at dinner on night of golf classic
- Auction Prize on the night – PTA members to source items.
- Golf classic page setup off TCG main webpage to advertise the local business' sponsors over a 12 month period.
- Subcommittee set up to manage sponsorship – Lisa, Louise, Fionnuala, Catherine, Alan.
- Timeline of events to be presented by Louise/Lisa at next meeting.

TCG333 Club

- Concept approved by PTA - Needs to be approved by BOM
- Some items need to be confirmed; SEPA, Bank Account setup/maintenance, Cheques signatories – Eoin and Catherine to investigate.
- Subcommittee required to ensure transparency and accountability – tba next PTA meeting.

9.4. PR & Newsletter

Items to include: Information about Golf Classic; Continued promotion of High Viz, Information websites on JC for parents, Link to PTA minutes, usage of WA groups & other items. Aim to publish end Jan.

10. Policy Review – N/A at moment. Will be forthcoming!

11. Any Other Business:

11.1. PTA Page on TCG Website

EOB acknowledged work to date on site of PTA page which now includes minutes of meetings and will include PTA photos.
Update of site underway by school.

11.2. PTA Member Photos

Include on website if individual members agree.

11.3. Issuing and Promotion of RSA Safety Gear

Prizes continue to be issued to pupils wearing or using High viz gear that are nominated by teachers.

PTA meetings will rotate (Mon, Tues, Wed.) throughout the year to accommodate other commitments.

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 19th Feb 2018 at 7.30pm (tea/coffee available from 7pm in the staff canteen).