



TEMPLE
CARRIG
SCHOOL

Parent Teacher Association Annual General Meeting Minutes 28th September 2017 at 7.30pm in the School

1. The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting, and thanked everyone for coming.
2. The Minutes of the Meeting of 7th October 2016 were taken as read.
3. Chairperson's Report
The Chairperson gave a brief summary of the last year including the following highlights -
 - Finalisation of the PTA Constitution which was approved at the meeting,
 - Family Fair 2016 which raised just over €9,500 and the funds were used to canteen seating and a new sound system in the sports hall,
 - Christmas Carols evening where the PTA served mulled wine and mince pies,
 - Focus of student safety including registering the school with the Road Safety Authority and organising a delivery of over 1,300 high visibility items for students' use in 2016 and additional items ordered in 2017, and also a local Orthodontist Paul Murphy from Smile Solutions to come and take impressions for bespoke gum shields to be sold at cost price to students.
 - The Yearbook which will be given out at the Prize Night.

The Chairperson expressed huge thanks to the following -

- Catherine and Alan for their constant help and support during the year.
- Susan and Anna
- Amber and Liza for their attendance and contribution
- The outgoing committee - Valerie, Sarah (and Gavin) and Roisin.

The Chairman then thanked and welcomed the new committee, which were nominated and accepted at the meeting, and congratulated Elaine O' Brien the incoming Chairperson of the PTA wishing her and the new team every success in the coming year -

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| Grainne Coleman (2) | Eoin Condon (2, 4) |
| Lianne Connolly (1, 4) | Pauline Dallaghan (2, 4) |
| Robert Downey (1) | Fionnuala Doyle (1, 2) |
| Eilish Dempsey (3) | Caroline Galligan (2) |
| Louise Gaskin (1, 4) | Mark Lloyd (1, 3) |
| Brenda McParland (2) | Elaine O'Brien (2) |

Teacher representatives - Mr. McGuinness and Mrs. Dillon.

The first PTA meeting of the new committee will be at 7.30pm on 10th October 2017

4. Treasurer's Report

The Chairperson gave a brief summary of the PTA accounts for the year as follows-

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| Balance from last year | | €3,110 |
| Fundraising for the year | | €11,000 |
| Total | | €14,206 |
| Expenses | €2,304 | |
| Canteen tables | €3,900 | |
| Sound System | €8,000 | €14,204 |
| Balance carried forward | | €2 |

5. **Principal's Report (including a summary of TCG Finances)**

The Principal gave a brief update in the following areas -

a) **School Finances**

| Temple Carrig School | | |
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| Financial Report to Parents | | |
| Summary Financial Statement for the School Year 2016/2017 | | |
| Income | | € |
| Department of Education and Skills Funding | | 330,168 |
| Other State Funding | | 0 |
| School Income | Voluntary Contributions | 86,022 |
| | Vol Cont - Tax Rebate | 14,493 |
| | Administration Fee | 38,224 |
| | Extra Curricular Fee | 35,320 |
| | Rental School Property | 33,440 |
| | School Fundraising | 2,180 |
| | Parents association | 8,791 |
| | Other Income | 87,456 |
| Total Income | | 636,094 |
| Expenditure | | |
| Education Expenditure | Classroom Materials and Teaching Aids | 20,582 |
| | All Other Education Related Expenditure | 208,697 |
| | Student Resources | 40,513 |
| | Extra Curricular | 55,345 |
| School Maintenance | Light, Heat and Power | 41,553 |
| | Insurance | 14,312 |
| | Cleaning and waste disposal | 71,503 |
| | Rent, Rates and Local Charges | 0 |
| | All Other Caretaking and Maintenance | 44,877 |
| School Administration | Administration, Stationery, Printing & Subscrip | 121,272 |
| Financial | Bank Charges, Interest, Leasing | 2,293 |
| Total Expenditure | | 620,947 |
| Surplus (Deficit) for the year | | 15,146 |
| Capital Projects | | |
| Income | Department Grants from 2015/2016 | 260,880 |
| | Other Income | 0 |
| Less: Expenditure | | 233,138 |
| Surplus (Deficit) carried forward for the year | | 27,742 |

It was noted that the department gives €330, 168 but the school (parents) provide circa €300,000 to allow the school to provide such a superb education to students. There is currently a 'rainy day fund' which is needed to replenish furniture etc. that are damaged. Also funds have been used for the flood lights on the hockey pitch, and the costs are being recouped in pitch rental. The accounts tabled are pre audited accounts and there will be slight adjustments. Also it was noted that the High Court Appeal regarding the McDonalds planning permission was on a 'no foal, no fee' basis, therefore there were no costs associated with this appeal.

b) **Academic Update**

Junior Cert Results

91% of all students took higher level subjects.

1,233 papers were sat, of which 1,218 passed - 99% pass rate

Results were above National Average

Maths, CSPE, English and Irish were outstanding.

2 students achieved top marks in Science in Ireland - Adam and Rita.

3 students achieved 8 As, many achieved over 5 As.

1st Transition Year

Mr. Wallace is co-ordinating.

An alternative learning experience for students.

Important to maintain focus for students, and the 'Leaving Cert' is being mentioned to keep that focus!

Senior Cycle 2018

Devising a curriculum to meet students' demand.

Evening Study an option.

Students are being encouraged to research career and college choices.

c) **Additional Activities**

Mr. Crean is a super organiser for all sports, the following are other activities the students are encouraged to be a part of -

- i. Model United Nations
- ii. Film Club
- iii. Shakespeare Society
- iv. After school study
- v. Arts showcase - art, woodwork, cookery
- vi. Trips and tours - there will be a programme of these put together to try and accommodate as many as possible.
- vii. Young Americans - reviewing a plan to have them come again next year

d) **Other Matters**

The Principal expressed a huge thanks to the following -

- Parents, highlighting how lovely and polite the students are!
- The super, human staff!
- Chaplain Team and Pastoral Care.
- The Board of Management.
- Catherine
- The PTA led by the Chairperson Ken Kennedy.

And finally the Principal encouraged everyone to become involved in the TCG Community.

6. Election of PTA Committee Members

The following New members of the PTA Committee were nominated and accepted.

Eoin Condon (2, 4)

Lianne Connolly (1, 4)

Pauline Dallaghan (2, 4)

Robert Downey (1)

Fionnuala Doyle (1, 2)

Eilish Dempsey (3)

Louise Gaskin (1, 4)

Mark Lloyd (1, 3)

Teacher representatives - Mr. McGuinness and Mrs. Dillon.

7. Motions

There were no motions raised at the AGM.

8. Strategic Development Issues for Temple Carrig School

Garrett Fennell, the Chairperson of the Board of Management highlighted the importance of encouraging the students to be the best they can be, and how the school needs to continue to grow and develop to facilitate this. There are plans to increase the school's playing pitches and also to build a new language wing which will include a 6th year area, 6 new classrooms and a new canteen.

9. Any Other Business

A question was raised about the sibling policy, it was noted that there are no current plans to change this.

Also there was a query about Garda Vetting, and it was again noted that all parents wishing to get involved in the school should be garda vetted.