

ST. DAVID'S BOM Minutes: Tuesday 25th April 2023, 7pm

Rev Craig McCauley, Vivienne Rankin (VR), Sarah O'Brien (SOB), Sue Dempsey (SD), Leslie Greene (LeG), Linda Greene (LG), Eoin Fitzgerald (EF) and Caroline Donegan (CD)

Absent/Apologies: N/A

1.	Welcome & Opening Prayer: Welcome to everybody. Opening prayer.	
2.	Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the 28 th February 2023 were approved. Proposed by Craig and seconded by SOB Note: Future minutes to be password protected. If any financial items are digitally sent they are to be password protected too.	
3.	Chairpersons Report: Children's church club running in August. Ladies lunch went very well and the connection between school and church is good. There was a decision to suspend a child due to a number of robust reasons. A parent has appealed the decision and the board have agreed that the original suspension decision still stands and is recorded correctly and the board supports the chair's decision. Craig is having a parish picnic and service on 30 th July 2023, here in the school. Vivienne will check availability of the school hall for a parish function next Tuesday 3.30pm-5pm.	
4.	Correspondence: Nothing to report.	
5.	Oversight Report: The Child Protection Oversight Report was read, signed and made available to all BOM members. No referrals were made. No bullying incidents to report.	

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6. Principal's Report:

Staff are currently working on implementing the new book scheme.

Ms. Sarah O'Brien will be going on maternity leave next year.

Luke Hawkins visited the school for an Easter assembly.

We are all busy organising active week and appreciate all parents who have volunteered to help with sport's day.

Ms. Arlene Hickey and Mrs. Vivienne Pierce attended the ILSA (Irish Learning Support Association) conference.

Vivienne Rankin attended Misneach training for new principals.

All big holes in the school fence have been mended.

Two camps looking to use the school hall over the summer. As long as they provide all documentation required and if dates suit both camps, we will offer use of the school to both. We will look into how much other schools in the area are charging for rent of hall/school. We will get three quotes.

History, geography and science will be sent out to parents looking for their feedback.

Health and safety policy and assessment policy will be sent to the BoM members and the parents for feedback.

To help with the rubbish issue, we will look into more pick-ups from the bin lorry. The bin company will be contacted.

As Vivienne is a teaching principal, she is not always available. Vivienne's admin day is on a Wednesday. If you require Vivienne for a meeting/visit, it would be great if you could give the school a heads-up on when you might be coming so Vivienne can put that time aside.

7. Treasurer's Report:

Cleaning will not be done over the summer holidays. Go ahead with cleaning tender/looking into privately employing cleaners.

Secretary wages – Funding to pay for holidays. Caroline is looking into this.

10 families owe more than €100 on extra-curricular bills. This is a great result.

We will look into what extra-curricular activities will go ahead for the next academic year. This will be decided before the end of this academic year, being mindful of what the bill looks like for families too.

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	<p>Going forward, when BoM has to pay a substitute teacher, this will be issued by cheque.</p> <p>Ms Janet Fletcher, secretary of the parish, will be contacted in relation to a Vestry contribution coming from rent of the old school, given to St. David's NS in previous years.</p> <p>Staff members will be asked if somebody would like to be added to the school bank account. The main role would be signing cheques.</p>	
8.	Items for Publication: Approved revised minutes to be published on school website.	

Next Meeting: June 2023. Further details will follow.