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## Board of Management Meeting Agreed Report 9th April 2025

In attendance were Gabrielle Flood, Bernadette Sweeney, Helen Chambers, Micheál Hyland, Freddie Galvin and John Hackett who chaired the meeting.

Apologies were received from Seán McFadden and Msgr. Coonan.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, agreed and signed.

The principal reported to the meeting on matters including:

- Child Safeguarding
- Anti-Bullying Consultation with parents, pupils and staff has taken place. This information will be used to assist in the formation of a new policy. This policy is to be in place for September and will be brought for ratification to the next board meeting. The school is to close at 12.30pm on Friday 16th May for staff training in this area.
- Enrolment
- Staffing matters including teachers, SNAs and bus escorts.
- Building update (ASD Classroom and Central Activities Area) -We are still
  awaiting response from the Department to the submission of our Stage 1-2 A
  Report.

- Energy Retrofit in Summer 2025. We have received confirmation that we have moved on to stage 3 of the process which is the tendering stage. Still awaiting final confirmation that it will be proceeding.
- Parents' Council Tractor Run Fundraiser
- 1st Penance took place recently
- Music Generation Programme
- GAA and Athletics coaching
- Cumann na mBunscol hurling competitions. We played our first games recently.
- Swimming lessons for 3rd to 6th Classes have finished.
- Tullamore Credit Union Quiz success: Our senior team came third in the national final which took place in Portlaoise recently.
- ISL classes are continuing.
- Geashill Tidy Towns projects with the school.
- Robotics competition taking place after Easter.
- Mini Movies programme in conjunction with Offaly County Council
- Active School Week

## **Treasurer's Report**

A treasurer's report was presented to the meeting documenting all the transactions since the previous meeting and confirming the up to date current account balance. The board also discussed the 2023/24 school accounts which have been certified by Paul Wrafter Accountants. These accounts have been submitted to the FSSU (Financial Support Services Unit) in the Department of Education and to the patron's office.

The Tractor Run which was organised by the Parents' Council was discussed at this time also. The board expressed its appreciation to the parents' council, the wider parent body and the whole community for organising and supporting this event so well. €9300 has been raised to date and will be used to help provide resources to benefit all children in the school.

## Policy Ratification.

A new Geography policy was discussed and ratified.

A report of the meeting was agreed to be shared with the whole school community.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 16th.