

**Agreed Report from the meeting of the Board of Management of
Glanmire Community College held on Monday 8 January 2024 at 4.30pm**

Board Members:

Parent Nominees: Ms Jacqueline McCarthy, Mr Alan Mulcahy

Cork ETB Nominees: Ms Linda Skillington (Chairperson), Cllr. Noel McCarthy, Ms. Ger Moloney-Sheehan

Diocesan Nominees: Father Pat Nugent

Minority Nominee: Ms. Adelle Kidney

Business/Community Nominee: Ms Nicola Sheehan

Teacher Nominees: Mr. John Baldwin, Mr. Tom Pittam

Recording Secretary: Mr Sean McGrath (Deputy Principal)

Secretary: Mr Ronan McCarthy (Principal)

1. The Board offered its condolences to:
 - GCC students Orlaith Mohally (1st Year) and Conor Mohally (3rd Year) on the death of their father Ger Mohally in November.
 - GCC staff member Billy Woods on the death of his father Don who passed away in November.
 - GCC staff member Ann Mannix on the death of her mother Ann who passed away in November.
 - GCC staff member Mary Clare Sweetnam on the death of her sister Eimear who passed away in November.
 - The Board also acknowledged our annual GCC Mass of Remembrance which took place in November.

2. The Board offered its congratulations to:
 - Twenty-six GCC students who have been nominated to receive awards at the Cork ETB 2023 Leaving Certificate awards ceremony. This event acknowledges the outstanding academic achievements of our students in the 2023 Leaving Certificate.
 - GCC 2023 graduate Aidan Power who was awarded the UCC Quercus Entrance Scholarship in the College faculty of Medicine and Health.

- Eleven *GCC* students (5 projects) on their achievement in qualifying for this year's BT Young Scientist Exhibition.
- *GCC* 6th Year Student Conor Galvin (Rang Eanna) who played with the International Mahler Student Festival Orchestra in November.
- *GCC* 5th Year student Alexander Meek (Beibhinn) who recently graduated from NUIG with a level 6 Certificate in Youth Leadership and Community Action.
- *GCC* student 2nd Year student Niamh Cronin who auditioned and was selected for the new Road Safety Authority (RSA) Campaign promoting the 30k speed limit in towns and cities across Ireland.
- *GCC* teacher Ms Maria Keane on her recent appointment as an Assistant Principal 1.
- *GCC* staff members Caitriona Shanahan, Sean O Shea and Rebecca Murphy who got married in December.

3. The Board was updated on a number of items under 'Teaching & Learning' including:

- Senior Cycle Redevelopment Information
- *GCC* Oide Wellread Programme
- *GCC* New Group Reading Test (NGRT)
- *GCC* Characteristics of Effective Learners
- *GCC* Christmas Exams 2023
- *GCC* Pupil Parent Teacher (PPT) Meetings
- *GCC* CAT4 Assessments
- *GCC* Analysis of Junior Cert Results 2023
- *GCC* Analysis of October Assessment Results with Teaching Group Attendance

4. The Board was updated on a number of items under 'Finance' including:

- *GCC* Cost Centre Summary Reports October to December 2023
- *GCC* Detailed Expenditure Reports October to December 2023
- Cork ETB and *GCC* Record of Orders & Invoices October to December 2023
- *GCC* end of year Income & Expenditure Report January - December 2023
- *GCC* Income & Expenditure plan for 2024 (Draft)
- *GCC* Purchasing Card Statements November - December 2023
- Funding of *GCC* Staff Continued Professional Development
- Cost of Living Grant 2023
- *GCC* Fundraising Events December 2023
- *GCC* Pre-Examinations 2024

5. The Board was updated on a number of items under 'Risk' including:

- Service of Fire Equipment
- Digital Safety Guide
- Service of Fume Cupboards in Science Labs

- Upgrade and disposal of Machinery in Practical Rooms
- Safe Working Zones in Practical Classrooms and safety concerns
- Certificate of Attendance - Sit Astride Course
- Data Breach Reports
- Safe Routes to School - Topographic Surveys
- Employee Assistance Service (EAS)
- Work Experience Insurance Letters 2024
- First Aid Responder Refresher Course
- Workstation Assessments
- 1st Year Safety Talk - Community Guard

6. The Board was updated on a number of issues under 'School Building' including:

- GCC Astro Pitch & PE Hall Bookings
- Upgrade of Classroom Whiteboards
- School Paintings & Wall Graphic
- Upgrade of Machinery in Practical Room B4
- GCC School Boundary
- Emergency Works Applications
- Summer Works Scheme [SWS] 2024
- Replacement of B - Block Boiler
- Compost Waste Collection
- Food Waste Regulations Check

7. The Board was updated on a number of items under 'School Planning' including:

- GCC Stand Up Week
- GCC Parents Council Meeting November 2023
- GCC TY Option Rotation Change Over
- GCC Ski Trip
- GCC French Exchange
- GCC CAO Information Briefing for Parents
- International Day for People with Disabilities (IDPD)
- GCC Parents Updates
- HSE Nasal Spray Flu Programme
- GCC 1st Years 2024-2025 Subject Choice Seminar & Option Forms
- GCC Advent Services for 1st and TY students
- GCC Calendar Events
- GCC Senior Cycle Destination 2024-2025
- GCC Restorative Practice (RP)
- GCC Culture Day

8. The Board was updated on a number of items under 'School Policies' including:

- GCC Ethos and Core Values

- GCC 6th Year Relationships & Sexuality Education [RSE]
 - GCC Reduced School Days Notification
 - GCC School Attendance and VSware Attendance App
 - Cineáltas - Anti-Bullying
 - GCC Social Media Awareness initiative [Anti-Bullying/Internet Acceptable Use]
 - Child Protection and SSE Policies
 - Job Share, Career Break & Secondment Applications
 - GCC Admissions Process September 2024
 - GCC Disposal of Assets
9. The Board members were updated on any Child Protection referrals, Bullying Reports, Suspensions and Reduced Day Notifications since its last meeting.
10. The Board was presented with the Child Protection Oversight Report.
11. The date for the next meeting of the Board is Monday 11 March 2023.