Parent Nominees to the Board of Management

Parents/guardians are invited to vote for their chosen parent nominee to the Sandymount Park ETSS Board of Management on Friday 20th September in the school office from 8am – 3pm. Votes may be cast by post to be received by 3pm on 20th September. Postal ballot papers can be requested from the school office.

Chairperson Vanessa Barcroft and Secretary to the Board Paula Mulhall will adjudicate on the counting of votes. In the event of a tie, the elected parent will be determined by lottery.

Our Articles of Management state that the Board shall have due regard to gender balance in the composition of its membership so we aim for one male and one female parent nominee.

We are very grateful to Eimear, Ivana, Simon and Darragh for putting themselves forward for election. Please read more about each candidate below.

Eimear Bradbury

I am interested in joining the BOM as a Parent Nominee for a number of reasons.

I have 3 children currently in Sandymount Park ETSS (1st, 3rd and 5th years), so I have a personal interest in ensuring the student experience remains well balanced; the ethos of the school is upheld and the school continues to be a safe place for all the students and staff.

I have been a parent of a student in this school since 2020 and I have watched the community within the school grow. The school is embarking on an exciting new phase with the new building construction and this is a great time to get involved and give back to the school.

I was the treasurer on our children's Parents Association board at primary level which gave me some experience of the day workings of the school.

Ivana Dusparic

My son has only started in SPETSS this year, but I knew from the day the school was established that that's where I would like my children to receive secondary education.

In terms of my experience, as my "day job" I am an Associate Professor of Computer Science in Trinity College. I have been there in various roles for the past 20 years, including the Director of Postgraduate Teaching and Learning, and have managed, both scientifically and financially, large-scale projects. I currently research and lecture in Artificial Intelligence and am therefore very aware of both positive and negative impacts AI is bringing to education.

I also volunteer in the local community as the Secretary of a youth football club.

I am eager to put my background and experience to support the School, the Principal, and the Board to continue positioning SPETSS graduates for every success in their desired post-secondary paths.

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Darragh Hogan

I have two boys in Sandymount Park. I live in the heart of Sandymount and have down so for over 30 years. I have recent experience of board membership having served on the board of management of Shellybanks ETNS as school treasurer and on An Bord - the board of the National College of Art and Design, Dublin.

I am a graduate of the NCAD and a co-owner of the Kerlin Gallery in Dublin, a space dedicated to the promotion of Irish art internationally. I care deeply about the Educate Together ethos and the vital role Sandymount Park plays in the development of the local community.

Simon Doyle

I am a Software Engineering Manager with many years of experience in the I.T. Industry, primarily in the eLearning sector. Prior to that I worked in the Arts, mainly in theatre, and I currently serve on the board of Pan Pan Theatre Company. As a member of a not-for-profit organization's board, I feel that I have a keen understanding of the requisite duties and responsibilities. Additionally, I bring highly relevant experience in the I.T. sector, especially in the area of eLearning. I am also a keen proponent of the Arts in education, and I can bring a strong perspective in that regard. I hope that my skills and background could prove useful to the board and that I can contribute to the ongoing success of the school community going forward