31st January, 2023.

The Secretary,
Board of Management &
School Principal in each Community and Comprehensive School.
Members of the Executive Committee.

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ACCS CONVENTION 2023 – 22nd, 23rd & 24th of March 2023 Great Southern Killarney, East Avenue Road, Town Centre, Killarney, Co. Kerry.

In accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association of ACCS, copies of the Draft Convention Agenda and Nominations for President of ACCS 2023/2024 are attached.

CONVENTION SCHEDULE: ACCS advises that registration for Convention 2023 will commence from 3.00 p.m. to 3.45 p.m. on Wednesday the 22nd of March 2023. Please note Convention will commence at 3.45 p.m. on Wednesday the 22nd of March 2023 and will conclude on Friday the 24th of March at 11.40 a.m.

REGISTERING OF ACCS DELEGATES ON SCHOOL ONLINE PORTAL:

It would be appreciated if Boards would now notify ACCS of the names of their delegates in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association of ACCS. Every member school shall have three accredited delegates and only delegates in attendance may vote. It is the recommendation of the ACCS Executive that one of the accredited delegates be the Chairperson of the Board of Management.

To access the school portal, log on to https://www.accscloud.net. You will require your Username (last 4 digits of the main school phone number), password and a maths captcha to login. If you require assistance with this process or your password please call ACCS Head Office staff on 01 4601150.

CONVENTION FEE: The Executive has decided that a fee of €300.00 per school would be appropriate to cover the cost of Convention only. All other costs will be at the delegates' own expense. It would be appreciated if remittance for this amount of €300.00 could be forwarded to ACCS before Convention date. Please make payment by direct bank transfer to:

Association of Community and Comprehensive Schools Current Account.

Bank of Ireland, Merrion Road, Dublin 4 IBAN: IE70 BOFI 9012 1288 4577 09

ACCOMMODATION: As in former years, delegates will be responsible for securing their own accommodation and meals. Accommodation will be assigned by the Great Southern Killarney on a first come first served basis. When all rooms are allocated in the Great Southern Killarney, delegates will be informed, and their booking form will be forwarded to the Killarney Royal Hotel or the International Hotel. A confirmation reservation will be issued by the Great Southern Killarney. **A credit card number will be required by the Hotel to secure booking.** Documentation for delegates and booking forms are attached.

GOLF OUTING: The ACCS annual golf outing for the **Paddy Hickey Memorial Trophy** has been arranged on Wednesday the 22nd of March 2023 - see separate documentation attached.

Your co-operation in ensuring that the various deadlines set are observed would be greatly appreciated.

John Irwin, GENERAL SECRETARY.

Convention details to be distributed to each ACCS Convention delegate:

In conjunction with the ACCS Annual Convention in the **Great Southern Killarney**, **East Avenue Road**, **Town Centre**, **Killarney**, **Co. Kerry** on the 22nd, 23rd and 24th of March 2023 the ACCS Executive Committee has decided that delegates will be responsible for their own accommodation and meals.

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Great Southern Killarney have offered "all-in" rates which comprise the following:

2 nights' accommodation and 2 full breakfasts (Wednesday and Thursday nights)
Dinner (Wednesday)
Lunch (Thursday)
Gala Dinner (Thursday Night)
3 Coffee/Tea breaks

Price: €468 per person single room

€331 per person sharing

For non-residents a **meals package will be available to purchase for €154** at the ACCS Registration Desk in the Great Southern Killarney (time to be confirmed). There will be no reduction on this price for delegates who only wish to partake of part of this package.

Those wishing to book hotel accommodation in the Great Southern Killarney, for Tuesday night the 21st of March 2023 or Friday night the 24th of March 2023 may do so at a special "bed and breakfast" rate of

- €157 single occupancy and €88.50 p/p sharing on the 21st of March 2023
- €170 single occupancy and €95.00 p/p sharing on the 24th of March 2023

Delegates wishing to have partners/guests accompany them to the Gala Dinner will be able to obtain tickets at €69.00 per person at the Great Southern Killarney from the ACCS Registration Desk (time to be confirmed).

Delegates are advised to book their hotel accommodation immediately and, in any case, not later than the 24th of February 2023.

When booking kindly use the attached booking form and email to Áine McMahon, Reservations Manager amcmahon@greatsouthernkillarney.com
Telephone – 064 663 8000

