



Le Chéile Secondary School, Tyrrelstown Board of Management

Agreed Report

13th December 2017

A meeting of the Board of Management of Le Chéile Secondary School took place in the school on Wednesday, December 13th 2017 at 7.00pm.

Present: Michael Denny (Chairperson), Aine Moran (Secretary to the Board), Leona Harrington (Recording Secretary), Susan Bryson, Jenasky Cabrera, Anthony Hamilton, Brian McCann, Evaistus Okafor, Margaret O'Shea. **Apologies:** Mary Meany

Lighting:

The school is still without lighting despite best efforts by the Board of Management. The BOM is continuing to pursue this matter and hopes it will be resolved shortly.

Principal's Report

1. Breakfast Club

The Board of Management was pleased to note that the Breakfast Club received funding from the Department of Social Protection. This will be used to fund the purchase of food for the Breakfast Club for the School Year 2017/2018.

2. Official Opening:

The official opening of the school will take place on Monday, 5th of March 2018. A sub-committee has been established to plan for this special occasion.

3. Arts Grant:

The Board recommended that a sub-committee will be established in order to begin the process of seeking the Arts Grant for the school and exploring how Le Cheile can best make use of this funding.

4. Subject Inspection - English:

It was noted that the DES Inspectorate conducted an inspection of the English Department on December 5th and 6th. The Board wish to thank and congratulate the English Department for their hard work and commitment.

5. Junior Cycle

The Board were pleased to hear that Other Learning and the results of the short courses at Le Chéile Secondary School are ready to be entered into the system for students Profile of Achievement. It is wonderful that the many extra-curricular activities on offer at Le Cheile are finally recognised by the DES.

6. Computer Science

The Board was delighted to hear that Le Cheile Secondary was accepted as one of the 30 initial schools to offer Computer Science as a Leaving Certificate Course.

7. Science Week

Congratulations and thanks were expressed to the Science Department for organising such a successful Science Week including Le Chéile's inaugural SciFest and the announcement that two students have been accepted to take part in the Young Scientists Competition.

8. School Digital Champion Programme

The Board was pleased to hear that the school has been accepted on to the School Digital Champion Programme – a government initiative to enhance the use of technology in teaching and learning.

9. Parents Council

The Parents Council met on the 23rd of November. They are beginning a fundraising campaign for floor covering for the school gym.

A very successful Study Skills evening for parents was also held, provided by Student Enrichment Services.

10. School Musical

The Board wishes to express good luck to all involved in the preparations for Le Chéile's first school musical. 'We Will Rock You' will take place from the 24th to the 26th of January 2018.

11. Senior Tour

The Board was pleased to hear that 40 students and 5 teachers will travel to Rome next April on the Senior Tour. Fr Eugene O'Hagan will accompany the group as spiritual director.

12. Sporting Achievements

The Board congratulates the school on its many sporting successes since the last BOM Meeting, in particular the establishment of the Le Chéile Girls Gaelic Football Team. Particular thanks to Ms Irene Heavey and Ms Rebecca Jones for this development.

Congratulations are also expressed to Mr Sean McNulty and Mr Gordon Park on victories in the FAI Schools Cup.

Meeting Concluded 8.45pm

Dates for forthcoming meetings:

18th January 2018

1 March 2018

11 April 2018

16th May 2018