

# Le Chéile Secondary School, Tyrrelstown Board of Management

Agreed Report 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018

A meeting of the Board of Management of Le Chéile Secondary School took place in the school on Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 7.00pm.

**Present:** Michael Denny (Chairperson), Áine Moran (Secretary), Leona Harrington (Recording Secretary), Susan Bryson, Jenasky Cabrera, Anthony Hamilton, Brian McCann, Margaret O'Shea

**Apologies:** Mary Meaney, Everistas Okafor

#### 1. Child Protection

The Principal presented the Child Protection Oversight Report.

# 2. Admission 2019/20

The draw for Admissions of First Year Students for 2019/20 took place as per the School's Admissions Policy with an independent observer from An Garda Siochana. An offer of a school place will be sent to 150 students and a maximum of 7 students for the Claddagh classes.

## 3. Staff Appointments

The Board ratified the appointments of Nicola McCann and Emmett Blanchfield to the staff of Le Chéile and wishes them every success as part of the Le Chéile school community.

## 4. St. Luke's Primary School

The Board wishes to extend a warm welcome and an offer of any support and assistance to the staff and students of St. Luke's Primary School during their building reconfiguration.

## 5. School Development Committees

The Board is delighted to hear of the formation of the recent committees in relation to School Development – Wellbeing, e-Learning, School Self Evaluation, Positive Behaviour Strategy and Curriculum Development. The Board wishes to thank all staff for their continued commitment to the development of the school and send best wishes in all your endeavours.

## 6. Erasmus 2018/19

The Board congratulates Laura Cahill and Kathryn Scannell on recently completing the first part of the new Erasmus partnership with schools in Hungary and Spain. The main objective of the project is that our participating students will discover their religious identity in an intercultural environment as well as exchange and develop new practices regarding how values connected to their identity can be used when facing modern challenges in the future jobs market.

# 7. 21st Century Schools of Distinction Award 2018

The Board is delighted to receive the great news of being awarded the "21st Century School of Distinction" Award and extends it congratulations to all staff for their work. The Board wishes to thank in particular, Brian McCann, Paul Kennedy and Deirdre Keane for their vision, initiative, and commitment to this project. Brian and Paul represented the school in the College for Every Student international conference in November.

## 8. Maths Week 2018

The Board wishes to thank and congratulate the Maths Department on a very successful Maths Week, including running The Cube for students and the Maths Murder Mystery being a resounding success! Well done to all.

# 9. Comhairle na nÓg

The Board congratulates Grainne Leddy and all the students who participated in the recent Comhairle na nÓg youth council. Discussions included topics such as: Mental Health, Healthy Eating and the Development of local services and policies. Well done to the Le Chéile students who are showing themselves to be quite adept at having their voice heard on a national stage.

## 10. Blue Sky

The school has begun its second round of Blue Sky and the Board wishes to thank all staff for their creativity, ingenuity and innovation in providing such diverse modules as Braai, Bike Maintenance, Board Game Creation, Interior Design, Climate Change, DNA and Forensics, Game Development, Hair and Beauty, Furniture Face Lift, Drumming, Film Production, Plastic in my Life, Yoga, Mime Your Own Business and Maths Craft.

## 11. Staff CPD

The Board wishes to commend all staff on their engagement with CPD – be it Junior Cycle related or other CPD and extra-curricular activities. The Board acknowledges and wishes to thank all staff for their generous response to the extra pressure placed on Substitution and Supervision as a result.

# **Upcoming Events:**

8<sup>th</sup> November CAO Opening of Applications

11<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> November French Exchange 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> November Science Week

12th Nov - 7th Dec3rd Year Business CBA14th November5th Years CAO Presentation15th NovemberSenior Cycle PE CPD19th - 23rd NovemberCollege Awareness Week

Meeting began at 7.00pm Meeting concluded at 8.30pm

# **Dates for forthcoming meetings:**

23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019