



Le Chéile Secondary School, Tyrrelstown Board of Management

Agreed Report

4th March 2019

A meeting of the Board of Management of Le Chéile Secondary School took place in the school on Monday, March 4th 2019 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: Everistas Okafor

1. Child Protection

The Principal presented the Child Protection Oversight Report.

2. Congratulations

The Board wishes to extend its heartfelt congratulations to Mr Paul Kennedy on the recent birth of his baby Louis, best wishes to all.

3. Posts of Responsibility

Congratulations to Ms Róisín Ní Dhonncha on her permanent appointment as an AP1. An Acting AP1 Post has now been advertised.

4. Staff Presentations

The Board is delighted to hear of the recent presentations made by Mr Peadar Harvey, Mr Paul Kennedy and Ms Kathryn Scannell at the recent CESI conference on their use of technology in school.

5. Mock Examinations

The Board wishes to thank Ms Margaret O'Shea for organising the Mock Examinations, which were held in the school from Friday 1st February, to Friday 15th February 2019.

6. Senior Cycle Open Night

The Board wishes to thank and congratulate all members of staff who gave inputs at the recent senior cycle option night for 3rd Year Students and their parents. Thanks in particular to Ms Clodagh Carey for organising and to Mr Kennedy and Mr Walshe for their contributions to the evening.

7. Cat4 Assessments

The Board wishes to thank and congratulate all members of staff for facilitating the recent CAT4 Assessments for incoming first years 2019/2020 and in particular to Ms Leona Harrington for organising. The Board also wishes to express its heartfelt gratitude to TU-Blanchardstown for the use of their facilities to host this important event.

8. Digital Schools Championship

The Board wishes to extend its sincere congratulations to Mr Peadar Harvey and Mr Paul Kennedy for once again leading the school in qualifying for the Digital School Championships Event. This year the school's Minecraft Edu Group have undertaken to build a Minecraft model of the school, which help new students to navigate their way around the building!

9. The Big Sleepover

The Board wishes to commend all staff on their participation in the Big Sleepover which was held on the night of the 14th of February 2019 for second year students. A particular thank you to Ms Margaret O'Shea for organising. This years event raised €3,546.33 for the Peter McVerry Trust, which brings the total raised from this event to over €10,000 for the PMVT in its battle combatting homelessness.

10. Junk Kouture

The Board congratulates Ms Aiste Doyle and her second year students, Wiktoria Kluza and Nicole Rosca, for qualifying for the Regional Finals in the Helix of Junk Kouture 2019.

11. French Exchange

The second leg of the French Exchange took place from 25th February to 3rd March, which saw a school from Marseille visit Le Chéile. The 16 students and 2 teachers were hosted by 5th and 6th Year students and by Ms Laura Cahill. Congratulations to Ms Laura Cahill and all staff involved for giving the students such an opportunity. Thank you for your commitment and hard-work.

12. Erasmus 2018/19

The Board wishes to thank Dr Áine Moran, Ms Leah Collins, Ms Kathryn Scannell and Ms Clodagh Carey for travelling to Spain with a group of Le Chéile Students as part of the Erasmus Programme.

13. Fresh Film Festival

Congratulations to Ms Erin O'Brien and her students who have qualified, once again, for the regional final of the Fresh Film Festival.

14. Literacy Week

Congratulations to the English Department for their exciting events for Literacy Week, such as Drop Everything and Read, Paired Reading with St Luke's Primary School Pupils, Speed Dating with Books, and Fighting Words Workshop, which took place from Monday 25th February to 1st March. This culminated in the Official Opening of the School Library where the school was joined by special guests Dr Eilis Humphries, Therese Davey and Fr Eoin Thynne. Congratulations and well done to Ms Nicola McCann and Mr Adrian Cooke for their work on the library, and to Ms Ann McHugh, Ms Lucy Walsh, Ms Kim Byrnes and Mr Brian McGrath for organising a very successful Literacy Week.

15. Emmanuel Concert

The Board wishes to thank our Mr Gerald Dunne and Mr Eoin Walshe for preparing the school choir for the Emmanuel Concert and to Ms Ena McKiernan who accompanied them on their recent performance in the Helix for Emmanuel.

16. Sporting Le Chéile

The Board wishes to congratulate and thank all the staff involved in training Rugby, Basketball, Soccer and Gaelic Football within the school and for their commitment to the promotion of sports and well-being at Le Chéile.

Upcoming Events:

5 th March	TY Engineers Talk
6 th March	Fresh Film Festival – Regional Final
13 th March	Wriggle Technology Event
13 th March	1 st Year Parent-Teacher Meeting
18 th – 19 th March	School Closed – St Patrick’s Day and Discretionary Day
21 st March	Fingal Enterprise Awards
22 nd – 25 th March	Senior Cycle Tour – Berlin
25 th March - 5 th April	Leaving Certificate Orals Examinations
1 st April	Junior Certificate Music Practical Examinations
2 nd – 6 th April	Spanish Exchange School Visit
15 th – 26 th April	Easter Holidays – School Closed

Meeting began at 7.00pm
Meeting concluded at 8.45pm

Dates for forthcoming meetings:

8th May 2019