

Le Chéile Secondary School, Tyrrelstown Board of Management

Agreed Report

18th January 2018

A meeting of the Board of Management of Le Chéile Secondary School took place in the school on Thursday, January 18th 2017 at 7.00pm.

Present: Michael Denny (Chairperson), Áine Moran (Secretary to the Board), Anthony Hamilton, Brian McCann, Mary Meany, Evaristus Okafor, Margaret O'Shea.

Apologies: Susan Bryson, Jenasky Cabrera, Leona Harrington (Recording Secretary)

Sympathy was expressed to Leona Harrington on the sudden death of her mother.

Lighting:

Though significant progress has been made, the school is still without lighting despite best efforts by the Board of Management. The BOM is confident this matter will be resolved in a speedy manner.

CPD Funding Policy:

The Continuous Professional Development Funding Policy was ratified by the Board of Management.

Principal's Report

1. Breakfast Club

The Board of Management was pleased to note that the second instalment for the Breakfast Club funding has been authorised by the Schools Meal division of the Department of Social Protection. The Board wishes to convey its gratitude to all teachers involved in running the Breakfast Club.

2. Official Opening:

An Taoiseach Leo Varadkar and Mayor Mary McCamley, Fingal have confirmed their attendance for the Official Opening of the School on March 5th, 2018.

3. Snagging:

Snagging of the whole school building continues to take place throughout the school.

4. Subject Inspection - English:

The preliminary report was received from the DES Inspectorate on the recent English inspection, to which the Board has responded. The Board wish to thank and congratulate the English Department for their hard work and commitment.

5. Junior Cycle

The whole school staff training day on Junior Cycle took place on the 18th of December. The Subject specific training days are scheduled to take place on

Monday, 22nd January 2018 at a number of locations. Le Chéile Secondary School will be used to facilitate subject specific training on Art, Business, MFL, Home Economics and Science.

6. First Aid

The Board was delighted to hear that the First Aid Training provided by Polaris was so successful and that 15 staff members, Transition Year Students, Student Council members and Sports Prefects all received training. It also commended the completion of First Aid Kit provision around the school.

7. BT Young Scientist

Congratulations are expressed to Kelvin Tobin and Terry Jones, the two students chosen for the BT Young Scientist competition, who were excellent ambassadors for the school receiving much media attention and meeting An Taoiseach regarding their investigation on Aids/Distraction for Study. The Board wishes to express its thanks and congratulations to Dr Ciara Finnegan and all in the Science Department for their hardwork and generosity with their time.

8. School Musical

The Board wishes to express its' best wishes and thanks 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.

9. MiTE Conference

The Board wished to thank Nicola Molloy and Margaret O'Shea for presenting at the International Conference on Mobile Technology in Teacher Education about the innovative personalised learning and student choice inbuilt in English, Irish and Maths for Transition Year students.

Upcoming Events

19/20 January	MiTE Conference
22 January	JC Subject Specific Cluster Meetings
24 – 26 January	School Musical – 'We Will Rock You'
27 January	CAT4 Testing for Incoming First Years
29 Jan – Feb 8	Mock Examinations
31 Jan – Feb 2	Le Chéile Schools Trust Annual Conference
5 February	Launch of Computer Science Leaving Certificate Programme
8 February	The Big Le Chéile Sleepover in aid of the Peter McVerry Trust

Meeting Concluded 9.00pm

Dates for forthcoming meetings:

6th February 2018 11th April 2018 16th May 2018