



Le Chéile Secondary School, Tyrrelstown Board of Management

Agreed Report

6th February 2018

A meeting of the Board of Management of Le Chéile Secondary School took place in the school on Tuesday, February 6th 2017 at 6.00pm.

Present: Michael Denny (Chairperson), Leona Harrington (Acting Principal), Susan Bryson, Jenasky Cabrera, Brian McCann, Mary Meaney, Margaret O'Shea

Apologies: Anthony Hamilton, Evaristus Okafor

Best wishes for a speedy recovery were expressed to Dr Aine Moran.

Lighting:

The Board is delighted to note that the matter of Lighting within the school grounds has now been resolved.

Posts of Responsibility:

The school has received an allocation of 3 AP1 and 5 AP2 posts. A draft set of leadership needs will be submitted to the Board for review when the staff process has concluded. Upon identification of needs, the Posts will be advertised and staff will be invited to apply to posts. Upon successful appointment, duties will be assigned to the staff members. These duties will be subject to review by the Board on a periodic basis as per Circular 003/2018.

Acting Deputy Principal:

The Board ratified the appointment of Margaret O'Shea to the position of Acting Deputy Principal, for the duration of Áine's sick leave, as per the letter of recommendation from the selection committee.

Allocation for 2018/2019:

An initial allocation of 31.78 WTE has been awarded to the school for the year 2018/2019 by the DES.

Children First Guidelines:

The new Child Protection Guidelines, Children First, will begin to be implemented across the school at the next staff meeting, Monday 19th February 2018. All staff will participate in training in relation to these guidelines.

Principal's Report

1. Official Opening:

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin has confirmed his availability to celebrate Mass for the Official Opening of the School on March 5th, 2018.

2. School Musical

We Will Rock You', the first Le Chéile School Musical was staged for three nights (Jan 24th – 26th) and was an incredible success, with more than 200 audience members each night. Huge congratulations are due to all staff and students involved for their commitment and hardwork.

3. Incoming First Years 2018/19:

The CAT4 Tests were held in Blanchardstown IT for the 150 incoming first years (2018/19). Gratitude is extended to Blanchardstown IT for their ongoing support and generosity in hosting Le Chéile and to the staff and students who generously gave of their time.

4. Computer Science – Leaving Certificate Subject:

Dr Áine Moran and Peadar Harvey attended the launch of the Leaving Certificate Computer Science programme by the Minister of Education, Richard Bruton TD on the 5th February 2018, as the school is one of the pilot schools for the introduction of Computer Science as a Leaving Certificate Subject.

5. Physical Education – Leaving Certificate Subject:

The Board was delighted to hear that Le Chéile Secondary was accepted as one of the 30 initial schools to offer Physical Education as a Leaving Certificate Course. Congratulations to all involved for their hard work and commitment.

6. Junior Cycle

The Subject specific cluster day for Junior Cycle Training took place on Monday, 22nd of January. Le Chéile was a host schools facilitating the subject specific training on Art, Business, MFL, Home Economics and Science.

7. Mock Examinations

The Mock Examinations are currently taking place for third year students and will conclude on Thursday, 8th February 2018.

8. RDS School Expo

Le Chéile has been invited to present at the School Expo 2018 in the RDS on the 10th of March about our implementation of the 'Flipped Classroom'.

Upcoming Events

8 February	The Big Le Chéile Sleepover in aid of the Peter McVerry Trust
19 February	Literacy Week
20 February	2 nd Year Parent Teacher Meeting
26 February	Romeo and Juliet – 3 rd Year Trip
28 February	Emmanuel Concert – Helix Theatre
5 th March	Official Opening of School
10 th March	School Expo 2018, RDS
11 th March	RTE Mass
12 th March	Seachtain na Gaelige
14 th March	First Year Parent-Teacher Meeting

Meeting Concluded 8.00pm

Dates for forthcoming meetings:

11th April 2018

16th May 2018