

Board of Management Meeting - 11th December 2017

In attendance were; Jerry Cronin, Chairperson, Sue Flynn, Eukaria O'Grady, Anne O'Sullivan, Andrew O'Regan, Michael Cregan, secretary, Vincent Murphy, Liam Lenihan and Pat O'Riordan.

The meeting was opened by Jerry Cronin and a Christmas reflection was read by the secretary.

Minutes of the previous meeting were distributed and read and were proposed by Liam Lenihan and seconded by Andrew O'Regan.

There were no matters arising.

Correspondence:

Correspondence was received in relation to Leaving Cert Computer Science for which we had applied and we were not accepted.

Circular 88/2017 was presented to the Board.

A letter in relation to students looking for a place in the school was received.

A report on the standard conditions for hiring consultants to carry out the topographic survey which we are undertaking was read to the Board.

The minutes of the last Parents' Council meeting were presented.

There was also an acknowledgement of the audited accounts for 2016/2017 which were sent to LeCheile.

There was a report from LeCheile in relation to our budget. There were several inaccuracies in the report which the secretary had brought to the attention of LeCheile with a formal letter and was waiting a reply.

Principal's Report: 11th December 2017

- In the Munster Camogie Senior Semi final
- Accounts sent to LeCheile and awaiting the signed sheet to forward to JMB
- Met with Noel O'Loughlan Allianz and was delighted we had resolved most of their concerns
- TY Students spent a day in UL
- We ran a staff meeting
- I attended a NCCA meeting
- Attended CSL training

- Attended with DP JCST training
- Organising new prospectus
- Ran maths in-service in school
- Met the Chairperson of Bother
- Ran two Parent Teacher meetings
- Attended a cluster meeting in Mallow with Chairperson
- Ran various events for the 8th of December
- Attended in service with Miriam Horgan Senior Inspector with a teacher on self-evaluation and our Learning School Project 9
- Attended AMCSS meeting in Adare with Chairperson

Accounts:

The accounts for November 2017 were presented to the Board. The chairperson explained that these accounts had been brought to the Financial Sub-committee and were ratified. The Board looked at the accounts and they were proposed Pat O’Riordan and seconded by Eukaria O’Grady .

The budget for 2018 was discussed and the updates were presented to the Board.

Staff Matters:

An invitation was extended to all Board members to meet with staff, Student Council, Head Girls, etc for mince pies at 10.30 a.m. in the school on 22nd December 2017.

The interview Committee presented Shane Golden to replace a teacher for a secondment up to 31st May 2108. This was proposed by Liam Lenihan and seconded by Ann o Sullivan. The board unanimously approved this appointment.

Building and Planning:

Plans have been completed in relation to the building, the topographic survey has been completed and the engineers and the fire report should be completed in late January.

Junior Cycle:

The new Junior Cycle and the certificates were discussed, these new certs have to be published and this work is ongoing. The secretary explained that all these certs will be in the post by Christmas

School Tours:

Discussion regarding the proposed school tour to Iceland and also the proposed tour for Bother took place. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Ethos:

We discussed Ethos and the area of Forgiveness. The Board felt that a lot of work has been done in school relating to Ethos and hopes this will continue in this vein with the other two areas which remain in our charter, Concern and Services to Others, at the next meeting.

Whistle Blower's Policy

The Whistle Blower's Policy was presented to the Board. The template of this document is available from JMB. The Board agreed to the policy and this was proposed by Pat O'Riordan and seconded by Anne O'Sullivan. The Board unanimously agreed to the Whistle Blowers Policy.

Agreed Report:

Child Protection
Extra-curricular activities
Staff Matters
Ethos
Building and Planning
Whistle Blower's Policy

The next meeting was agreed for 22nd January 2018 at 4.30 p.m

Jerry Cronin

(Chairperson).

