

Agreed Report

Board of Management Meeting November 15th 2016

The meeting began at 7pm with a presentation from Mr. Gerry McGuill

CEIST Presentation:

As this was the first formal meeting on the new 2016-2019 Board of Management, St. Mary's CEIST school coordinator was present to provide training on the role of the board. Mr. Mc Guill's presentation ended at 8pm after which he left and the meeting continued as normal.

Staffing Appointments

Staff appointed since the last BOM meeting were ratified

Financial Report

The school income & expenditure to date was presented. A finance subcommittee was established.

New School Building:

The Board was delighted to hear that the school building project had just that day received stage 1 approval. It now moves onto stage 2a- Detailed Design with a hopeful planning permission lodgement next spring.

We will have to look at forming a "Building Committee" at a future meeting.

School Development Planning:

The Board had a discussion on proposed changes to the school curriculum/timetable & implications of such. A detailed investigation will be carried out.

The Board gave permission to organise a staff meeting.

The Health & Safety Policy was distributed for discussion and ratification at the next meeting.

Other policies under review include the Data Protection Policy & the Child Protection Policy.

Principals Report:

Robert presented his Principal's Report to the Board (see attached).

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The current Child Protection Policy was adopted. Robert O'Reilly was sanctioned as Designated Liaison Person and Margaret Burke as Deputy Designated Liaison Person.

Robert reminded members of JMB Board training in Sligo on Sat 19th Nov.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Board will take place on Tuesday December 6th at 7pm.

Principal's Report 15/11/16

- 14th Sept Junior Cert Results Day
- 15th Sept Peter McLoughlin attended the JMB SEN conference in Croke Park
- 15th Sept 6th year students attended Higher Options in the RDS
- 16th Sept Green & Red Fundraiser to purchase a new Defibrillator
- Tues 20th Sept 1st Senior Gaelic Match away to Westport
- Tues 20th Sept 1st year parents information evening
- Thurs 22nd Sept 3rd years attended Donegal Adventure Centre
- Fri 23rd Sept Mercy Day / Opening school Year Mass in St. Patricks
- Mon 26th Sept TY begin work with Whistleblast Quartet
- Mon 26th – Tues 27th Droichead Training in Galway for three staff members
- Tues 27th Sept 6th years climb Croagh Patrick
- Tues 27th Sept Bishop John Flemming visits the school
- Thurs 29th Sept Junior Gaelic Game
- Wed 5th Oct 3rd & 5th year Study skills workshop
- Wed 5th Oct Internet safety workshop for students & parents (pm)
- Wed 5th Oct ICTU Youth Connect Workshop for 5th years
- Fri 7th Oct Under 14 Gaelic away to Tuam
- Mon 10th – Fri 14th Maths Week
- Mon 10th Oct CAO workshop for 6th years & parents (pm)
- Wed 12th Oct Workshop on OCD & Tree planting ceremony
- Mon 17th – Wed 19th Principal visited all primary schools in catchment
- Mon 17th Oct NUIG presentation to 6th years
- Tues 18th Oct The Junior Girls Golf team came 2nd in the Connacht Junior Cup
- Tues 18th Oct Rugby 7's team through to All Ireland Final
- Wed 19th Oct Students attend Comharile na nOg meeting in Castlebar
- Wed 19th Oct Parents Association Meeting
- Thurs 20th Oct Students involved with the Fit4Youth Day
- Mon 24th Oct Adams Gift: CPR Day for all students
- Tues 25th Oct Students attend Public Speaking workshop in NUIG
- Tues 25th Oct LCA's hosts staff lunch as part of their programme
- Wed 26th – Thurs 27th Droichead Training in Galway for three staff members
- Wed 26th Oct Fire Drill
- Wed 26th Oct Junior & Leaving Midterm Assessments begin
- Wed 9th Nov Primary school students attend Matinee of Musical
- Wed 9th – Sat 12th School Musical: Illegally Blonde
- Mon 14th Oct Basketball match away to Foxford
- Mon 14th Oct Athlone IT presentation 6th years
- Tues 15th Oct LCA "Presenting Me" workshop

Congratulations to:

- Pauline Carney and her husband Fintan on the birth of their baby girl
- Aine Lee on her entrance scholarship to UCD
- Lisa Dolan on her entrance scholarship to Trinity College
- Karen Padden on her entrance scholarship to Trinity College
- Jane Quinn TY on her selection by Trinity College to take part in a workshop provided by The School of Computers & Science in the Spring
- Rachel Foody on achieving a massive 11 A's in her Junior Cert Results
- Niamh Palamaruschuk who is being recognised by the RTAI (Religion Teachers Association of Ireland) for her outstanding Junior Certificate results in Religious Education.
- Sophie Barnes and her teachers on her selection by the SEC as one of the highest achievers in Junior Cert higher level Maths and Science in the 2016 Junior Cert. Sophie is selected to take part the Irish Mathematical Olympiad in November.
- Sharon Farrell who went on a four day visit the European Parliament in Strasbourg & Brussels. Sharon entered and duly won the European Studied Graduate Competition when in Transition Year.
- Ciara Mullarkey & Amy McGrath on reaching the finals of the Junior Eurovision competition which was broadcast on TG4

Votes of Sympathy

Let us remember in our thoughts and prayers those who have died recently, especially:

Jim Curnyn RIP, father of Mary McGregor

Philip McFadden RIP, grandfather of Kara McFadden

Joan Allen RIP, grandmother of Ciaran Allen

Best Wishes:

- To Grace Devine who begins her maternity leave
- To Martina Calvey who is out on Sick Leave