

Board of Management Meeting 2022

Date: 4th May 2022

Agenda:

1. Apologies: **Billy, Ciara, Darren**
2. Minutes from last meeting to be confirmed – Confirmed
3. Student Council
Student cards will arrive on Monday . The Student Council carried out a food survey with the students for the new school canteen. The results will be used to inform canteen food provision.
4. Building Subcommittee and Working Group
The meeting has been moved to Friday week. Emer Nowlan couldn't attend the original date. First planning decision on Fassaroe site is expected in August. The Woodbrook location is considered better for wider number of students. The DES will be final arbiter on the location of the school. Dialogue with politicians will be crucial. Completion doesn't look likely for a significant period of time.
5. Allocations DES - Allocation is 34.75 whole time teachers for 2022/23. This was received on the 7th April.
We are applying for curricular concessions to compensate for the smaller classrooms and the fact that we are capped at 60 per year group, which limits our ability to provide options for students. Our Additional Educational Needs Hours have increased from 146 – 190 hours.
6. Policy
Staff are working on the Code of Behaviour. Amendments will be made by June. The Code of Behaviour will be presented to the Board meeting in June.
7. Transfer applications
The school has received 18 applications so far with the deadline Friday 6th May. Meetings will be organized to meet the students and parents/guardians.
There are spaces in all years except 2nd into 3rd Year.
8. Needs and Priorities
This process is continuing with a working group set up – 26 staff members volunteered to be part of the working group.
We are at stage 1. We will review and bring back needs and priorities list to the BOM in June.
9. Teaching and Learning
 - a. Oral Exams – LC
 - b. PTC 3rd and 6th years
 - c. LCA Interviews
 - d. LC construction studies practical
 - e. Gaisce Trip
 - f. ET – Ethical Education Day

10. Staff CPD

- a. One note Training – Paul
- b. Forbairt
- c. Wellbeing and SSE – Marie and Laura
- d. RSE - Stacey
- e. Supporting Ukraine students – Stacey

Ukrainian Response Update

5 Students have enrolled at NWETSS (emergency/immediate enrolment):

Transition year: 3

Second year: 2

Extra provision for EAL

CPD for Trauma response education completed (4 hours), resources shared at staff meeting and on Teams.

Whole school response:

- 1) Community Hub afternoon for Ukrainian Refugees in Bray (April 8th). In conversation with them, emergence of need for EAL support for adults and therapeutic services for children.
- 2) Art Therapy for children in emergency accommodation in Bray. Every Wednesday until end of school year 4-5:30 with 4 voluntary professionals (vetted). (Liaison - Darren O'Sullivan – programme coordinator).
- 3) In conjunction with Art Therapy for children, EAL classes running at the same time for parents of children participating in Art therapy; adults in emergency accommodation in Bray; other parents in our school community living in direction provision. Every Wednesday until the end of school year 4-5:30pm. Volunteers are school based and EAL certified. (Liaison – Stacey Finn).

- f. Research Fund teaching council – Lorraine
- g. First Year Assessment Day
- h. DP Conference organized by Fiona
- i. Stacey got accepted to DCU for the Guidance Counseling course

11. Staffing

11 positions were advertised and interviews will be happening over the coming weeks.

All hiring will be done by next BOM meeting

12. School Events

- a. Won Junior football – Wexford and Wicklow
Action : Derek to send note of congratulations to Team from BOM
- b. Model UN running
- c. SCAN – Global Schools
- d. Athletics
- e. TY Ball 19th May
- f. Graduation 26th May, Invitations to go out to BOM, including previous members

13. PSA – Update

Conn: Summer Fair – numbers signed up so far is quite small.

Issues raised: 1. Can teachers push it 2. Posters to advertise 3. Print out posters/screen
Professional bbq will be provided.

14. [Suspensions](#) - 1 internal

15. [Finance Report](#) – All satisfactory with finances at present. The budgets is being worked on at present and will be concluded prior to next Board meeting.

16. [Anti-Bullying Report](#)

Anti-bullying report

29/04/2022

Cases recorded since last BOM meeting: 2

Cases remaining open (pre 20 day DES): 1

Cases closed since last BOM meeting (no further action needed): 3

Cases proceeding after 20 day DES: 0

Actions taken:

- 1) Sociogram completed with all years, met with year coordinators to solve issues.
 - 2) Identified issues across year groups: 3
 - 3) Issues recurring since sociogram: 1
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- Reflect and Reconnect with 1st year students, whole school day
 - Workshops included: Narrative4 empathy building; What does Bullying look like?; MyStory – Speaker; Cyberbullying; The relationship with myself.
 - Meeting with 1st year year-coordinator post Reflect and Reconnect (what went well, even better if).

Further actions planned for 2022-2023 :

- Coco's Law speaker senior cycle and junior cycle (TBC)
- Reflect and Reconnect workshops with other years
- Further Narrative4 intervention with 2nd years 2022-2023

[Child Protection Oversight Report](#) –

This will be discussed at the next in person meeting in June.

[Confirm Actions & Agreed Report of this meeting](#)

AOB

Derek going to ET AGM

DEIS appeal – put in, awaiting response

17. [Confirm date for next meeting](#) - 8th June in Person. Meeting ended 19:40