

## Date: Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023 - in the school

### Minutes

Apologies: Suzi

Minutes from last meeting to be confirmed: The minutes were ratified.

#### Communication re new building

Stephen Donnelly and Simon Harris have sent a letter stating that the department has commenced conveyancing.

#### Allocation information

CID new for 2023-24 - Alice, Mimi, Laura, Louise, Monica are due CIDs, and the paperwork has been returned to the Department along with the curricular concession form.

#### Teaching and Learning

- a. Department Meetings – Ongoing
- b. SEN Review Case Study Meetings – meetings have been held with small groups, going through student support files. There are 12 full-time teaching staff in the AEN department at present.
- c. Lesson Study – The Mathematics department, in conjunction with Aoibhinn Ni Shuilleabhain Assistant Professor in UCD are involved in a lesson study programme.  
Billy and Fiona will be giving a presentation at the UDL Symposium at Maynooth University in June.
- d. LCA Task Interviews – These went very well; an external examiner came to the school to undertake the interviews.
- e. Mock Exams and Assessment Reports; these have been completed and published.
- f. JC Whole Staff Training Day – This was a full day on the topic of assessment.
- g. CPD – Staff continue to engage in ongoing individual CPD.

#### Continuum of Support Policy review

There are ongoing meetings every four weeks reviewing the policy. The policy should be reviewed in time for the next Board meeting.

#### Autism Assessments

There is an issue in the community with trying to get an assessment. Una, Billy, and Niamh have commissioned 10 assessments in the school using an outside company. Parents are paying what they can afford with the school paying the rest.

## Rainbows groups to be established

This is a bereavement and loss programme for students.

**Action:** approval from the board to get groups up and running - approved

## Communication to families re Andrew Tate

The letter was given to Board members.

## Child Protection oversight report

Report read and signed

## Anti Bullying Report

- 2 open
- 2 closed
- After 20 day - 0

## Suspensions

5 students - 1 day, 1 Student - 1 day

## Finance Report

It was proposed to put in place forward planning for the new building – to start saving money to pay for expertise around supporting school management with the building and procurement.

## Confirm Actions & Agreed Report of this meeting

**Action:** approval from the board to get Rainbow groups up and running - approved

## AOB

**Action:** Follow up with Niall Wall about the bus to the PE facility

## Confirm date for next meeting

April 26<sup>th</sup> in School