

Agreed Report of a Meeting of the Board of Management of CBS Thurles Wednesday 4th October 2017

Attendance: Mr Dan Condren, Mr. Philip Egan, Ms Noreen Lanigan, Ms. Anne Fitzpatrick, Ms. Annmarie Ryan, Ms. Mary Ryan and Ms. Mary Caesar. The Principal, Mr O'Donnell attended as Secretary to the Board.

Apologies: Ms. Sarah Feehan.

1. **Opening Prayer**

The Chairperson opened the meeting with the Blessed Edmund Rice Prayer.

2. **Minutes of the last Meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and were proposed by Ms. Mary Ryan and seconded Ms. Anne Fitzpatrick.

3. **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising

4. **Correspondence**

A full list of correspondence was presented to the Board.

5. **Finance**

The Secretary presented the report on behalf of the Finance Committee. The end of year accounts were reviewed.

6. **Secretaries Report**

The Principal presented a detailed report on the working of the school from 6th September to 4th October 2017.

- The Principal updated the Board on the School Self-Evaluation process and associated timeline over the next 3 years.
- The Principal provided the Board with an overview of the Junior Certificate results. The Board commended the students and teachers on the results achieved.
- The *Draft Statement of Strategy for School Attendance* was reviewed and approved by the Board.
- The Chairperson of the Students' Council was welcomed to the meeting. Robert Healy informed the Board of the work of the Council and the aims and objectives as set out at their first Council meeting.
- The Secretary outlined the Curricular and extracurricular activities over the past few weeks including Soccer, Hurling and Basketball activities.

- Students also took part cookery demonstrations, Higher Option in UCD, Art and Geography Field Trips. All 1st 3rd and 6th year students completed a Study Skills seminar in September.
- Our German exchange took place in September with nine students travelling to Germany for 6 days

The following upcoming events were noted by the Principal

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| ○ Open Night | 5 th October |
| ○ Parents Council AGM | 10 th October |
| ○ Transition Year PT Meeting | 10 th October |
| ○ Information Evening for 1 st year parents | 11 th October |
| ○ 3 rd & 6 th year end of term exams | 23 rd Oct – 27 th Oct |

7. **Any Other Business**

The Chairperson acknowledged the recent successes and achievements of students in the different activities. The Chair also acknowledged the work of the Board over the past number of years outlining the Boards achievements in relation to the ongoing expansion of the school campus, the bicentenary celebrations and successes in both state exams and the sporting arena. All members were thanked for their contribution and best wishes were extended to incoming Board.