

St. Louis Secondary School
Monaghan
Board of Management Meeting
Thursday 12th September 2024
Agreed Report

Attendance: GS , CH, MMC, TOH, AF

Apologies:

Secretary: MC

Minutes The minutes of the meeting on 14th May and 7th June were adopted on the proposal of AF and seconded by CH.

Matters Arising: No matters arising.

Correspondence:

Correspondence August/September:

- Robotics Workshop 19/09
- Nasal Flu Vaccine 25/10
- Education for Sustainable Development
- Postgrad in Leadership Development METC
- Trauma Informed Training for Staff and SNAs
- Discover Science STEM Workshops
- Email from Get Fresh
- FSSU Financial Guidelines
- NCSE Team Manager and SENO
- Le Chéile Upcoming Events
- Financial Guidelines Accounting for School Book scheme
- Oide information re Cluster Days
- JMB Education conference
- Job Applications Bursar
- Monaghan County Council Regeneration Plans
- Biotech Experience for Science teachers
- Letter from Minister for Education re Smartphones
- Deployment of Teaching Resources
- NAPD Weekly Update
- Revised Teaching Schedule DES
- Foroige NFTE Programme
- Student Enterprise 24/25
- School Placement Request
- Region 10 Notice of Meeting and Reports
- LC Candidate Information Guide

- FSSU Financial Guidelines
- Principal's Survey on Homelessness
- JMB Bulletin Teacher Extension Scheme
- SEC Arrangements for LC Resets
- LCA Results
- Resignation letter

Leaving Cert 2024:

Excellent results issued on 23rd August, heartiest congratulations to the class of 2024.

All students who sat the Higher Level Maths Papers achieved the bonus 25 marks.

As a school community we are delighted with this year's Leaving Cert results, the girls deserve great credit for their hard work and determination. They were supported by their parents and encouraged and motivated by the staff and we recognise all partners in their education. These results do not define our students, they have received a holistic education and have matured and grown into fine people who will go on to do great things.

One student achieved 625 points

This year over 30% attained over 500 points and over 60% got over 400 points.

We will always be interested in the future journeys that the class of 2024 will embark on and wish them well as they move to the next stage of their educational journey “.

The girl's Year Head Mr Mooney was delighted with the results. He congratulated the class of 2024 and wished them well as they await their college offers. “It has been my pleasure to watch this group of students mature and grow as they progressed through their 6 years in St Louis Secondary School. This class faced many challenges but worked diligently to achieve these excellent results and have been rewarded for their efforts. I wish them success, health and happiness as they embark on a new adventure

LCA

All students achieved distinctions and 3 students got 100%.

Great work by the LCA team and coordinator as keeping these students in full time education was the main focus.

Delighted to see all progress to further education. Course details provided.

The Chairperson and Board members congratulated the students, parents and teachers on wonderful results.

They passed on their good wishes to the class of 2024 as they progress to the next stage in their educational journey.

Class of 2024 were invited in for lunch on Friday 5th September.

Teaching & Learning:

Workshops for staff on 22nd August:

- AI
- Formative Feedback
- ICT
- SEN
- Focus of SSE this year is Wellbeing

- Homework Policy is being looked at

Finance:

No report as Accounts Secretary retired on 31/08 and no replacement yet. Tributes were paid to her for 46 years of loyal and dedicated service. A gift to be sent to her from the Board. Interviews held on Monday the selection committee recommends SB. This was ratified by the Board. She will work 37 hours per week and will be paid by DES. Training will be provided. Audit to begin, Mgt has been in contact with WOBH

Buildings & Plant:

Alot of work took place in school during the Summer

- Pitch at Mullaghduin Toilets and drainage
- Classrooms and corridors painting
- Positive quotes on walls
- Garden at HSL
- Chimney and roof on Lakeside Emergency works
- Maintenance of arcade

Child Safety Statement:

Board formally adopted the procedures.

Ratified and signed by the Chairman.

New staff requested to complete the TUSLA ELearning Module and forward the certificate to Catriona

Anti-Bullying

Guidelines from DES.

Report on the Review of the 2013 Action Plan and development of Cineáltas.

Training to be provided. New policy next year. This comes into effect September 2025.

Policies

3 Policies provided for consideration and discussion at next Board Meeting:

- Safety Statement
- Draft RSE Policy
- Student Teacher placement Policy

Principal's Report:

Best wishes to SG who retired after 2 terms on the Board.

Bereavements:

- We remember our dear colleague Patricia Hoey,
- Sympathy to Claire O'Grianna on the death of her dad Eaver
- Rosemary McElroy on the death of her Aunt.
- Katie Dhillon (5th Year) on the sudden death of her stepdad.
- Sisters of ST Louis on the death of Sr.Thecla Kelly and Sr Marie Grignon
- Anyone in our school community who suffered bereavement, we keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Congratulations to Daisy Walker who represented Ireland in Peru in the U20 World Championships- relay race

Timetable for re-opening:

- Tuesday 19th 2nd and 3rd years collected their books, huge thanks to Eleanor and Niall for all their hard work

- Wednesday 21st TY Induction
- Thursday 22nd 1st year induction
- Friday 23rd 1st year induction, they will get their books, thanks to staff for volunteering to help with activities. Shane Martin for staff in the afternoon
- Monday 26th 1st years in class 6th years in school
- Tuesday 27th 3rd years
- Wednesday 28th 5th years
- Thursday 29th 2nd years
- Friday 30th All students
- International students Monday 2nd September

15 transfers and new students

Activities:

- ESO organised Induction for 1st years
- Viewing of Scripts no one turned up – 5 had requested
- Settling in Programme for 1st years organised by ESO on 9th September
- 17th September Celebrating and empowering women, defining today shaping tomorrow, Minister to attend at 1pm in HSL. Lunch in staffroom at 12

New students to school

First years starting- 4 classes,85 students Niall Mooney year head, Jen, Colin, Mary and Caoimhe are class tutors tutors.

Timetable

Heartfelt thanks to James for all his work getting a timetable done, some issues with staffing but happy to have a good workable timetable.S&S slots sorted,

EMS	Photocopiers to be moved from the old office can be stored in chapel area until disposed of.
Child Protection	The Principal informed the Board that there were no referrals to TUSLA since the last Board meeting. Oversight report presented and signed. Child Protection Statement and Risk Assessment presented. New staff requested to do TUSLA training
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GDPR	Nothing to report The Board was informed that staff had received a review of good practice procedures in relation to GDPR at staff meeting on 22 nd August.
Anti Bullying	No incidents to report. Cairde in place to provide support to 1 st years and make observations and report to year head or tutors. Wellbeing Committee to organise wellbeing week. Positive Behaviour system running, huge buy in from staff and

students. This is an excellent initiative with a huge focus on the positive rather than the negative.

Admissions:

Approval from the Board to begin the process .100 places for incoming first years.
Open Day Saturday 12th October.

Next meeting Tuesday, 22nd October

Proposed: _____ Seconded: _____

Chairperson: _____ Date: _____