

Agreed Statement for 6th B.O.M. Meeting for the Academic Year 2022/23

A meeting of the Board of Management of Holy Faith Secondary School, Clontarf, took place on Wednesday 21st March 2023.

1. Opening Prayer

1.1 The meeting opened with a prayer.

2. Apologies:

2.1 Apologies from one member recorded.

3. Minutes

3.1 The adoption of the minutes of B.O.M. meeting held 8th February 2023 was proposed, seconded, agreed by the Board and signed by the chairperson.

4. Matters Arising

4.1 Matters arising dealt with.

5. Correspondence

5.1 A list of **Events & DES circulars** was circulated to Board members.

5.2 Permission granted for Classics tour to Greece in September 2023.

6. Child Protection

6.1 Principal made Child Safeguarding Oversight Report to the Board.

7. Bullying Report

7.1 There are no reports of bullying currently under investigation.

8. Staffing 2023-24

8.1 Staffing for 2023/24 was discussed and school awaits response form DE regarding additional allocation.

9. Finance

9.1 Half Year Review

9.1.1 Financial statement to end of February circulated prior to meeting and are broadly on target for this time of year.

10. School Development Planning

Priorities:

- An update on the school's application for additional Accommodation has been received from the Department. The Department is assessing its priorities in the context of available funding and current financial pressures. The school's application is being considered as part of this process..
- The JMB will continue to pursue our application. Board of Management met with LCVP group re Spirit Day 2023.
- Initiative to promote reading for pleasure with before school session has moved to a lunch-time slot.
- CPD funding dealt with under finance.
- Surveys re PE uniform complete and Student Council and Parents, Association views sought.
- New website now available with one or two items to be updated.
- Celebration of 75th anniversary in 2025 to be considered.

10.2 School Self Evaluation: SSE

Committee co-ordinating SSE organised CPD day on 8th March – representatives have been invited to meeting of the Board in May.

1) Impact of COVID on student learning.

Results of survey circulated to Board and

2) Wellbeing/SPHE

Week of 20th March will see focus on student personal safety.

RSE classes for Junior Cycle have commenced.

3) Teaching & Learning:

One hour classes will be introduced for 2023/24 on a trial basis. 28th March will be a trial run. Student Council and a random selection of students have discussed trial arrangements. Assessment for Learning – staff updated at last staff meeting. Peer Observation to be conducted in term 3.

4) ITC in Teaching and Learning

Second SELFIE survey took place on 15th March and will be conducted with 2nd years in CSPE class.

10. Principal's Report

11.1 OLCS

The Principal made report to the Board as per circular 0024/13.

11.2 Ethos

10 5th years travelled to Knock for Symposium of Le Chéile Schools on Monday 13th March. Ms Halpin led one of the sessions. The group will meet with students of St Mary's Glasnevin with a view to setting up an Ember Committee in the school. 4 students will participate in the Oblate Pilgrimage to Lourdes next September.

11.3 Parents' Association:

The Association's Table Quiz took place on 9th March in Clontarf Castle.

11.4 Student Council

Student Council plus two students from each year group, 1st to 5th year, have been consulted about trial one hour class timetable for 2023/24.

Students and parents have been consulted about new PE uniform – retain hoodie, school leggings and cuffed tracksuit option preferred.

11.5 Student Achievement

- Síofra Corrigan won the final of the Soroptimist Public Speaking final which took place in Wexford.
- The two junior debating teams took part in the final of the UCD Octo debates
- Minor hockey team won the Leinster final, 2-0, against Mount Temple.
- students took part in the Wesley College Model United Nations (MUN), 11th & 12th March
- Julian Fallon, Aoibh Maguire, Cara McCaul and Ciara O'Connor of the class of 2022 have been awarded UCD Entrance Scholars Awards. The ceremony will take place on 28th March.
- 1st year Basketball team has qualified for All Ireland Playoffs in Limerick, 6th & 7th May.
- 5 students from 1D won the first year Dublin final of School Enterprise Programme in the Mansion House on 21st March. Congratulations to Grace Brady, Hollie Nolan, Kate O'Callaghan, Molly O'Neill and Lily Scott Kenny and their Business teacher, Mr O'Callaghan.

11.6 TY Show.

Invitation extended to members of the to attend the TY show, *Thank You For the Music*, 28th to 31st March.

12. Agreed Statement

12.1 An agreed statement was prepared.

13 Next meeting

13.1 The next meeting of the Board will be via Zoom on 25th April with an in person meeting on Monday 8th May at 6.30pm