# **Cumann na dTuismitheoirí / Parents Association**

# **Coláiste an Phiarsaigh**

**Miontuairisc: Tues 10th April 2018**

**Lucht Freastail: Helen Mannion Michelle Lane Micheál Ó Tuama**

**Heidi Robertson Majella Finnegan Pamela Dennehy**

 **Mary Mc Carthy Rebecca Kelly Carmel Ní Bhrudair**

**Síle Ní Dhuinneacha-Uí Cheallacháin Colette Ní Fhionnagáin**

 **Brendan Newell Lisa Cronin Lisa McCarthy**

 **Liam O Laighin Mary Mc Carthy (Naughton)**

 **Niamh Ní Mhaoileoin**

**Leithscéalta: Kieran Hill Gillian Ní Ghreachán Sara Treacy**

**Teresa Hassett Suzanne Moloney**

**Minutes Issued by: Helen Mannion**

**AGENDA: Apologies**

 **Adoption of Minutes from 14th March 2018**

 **Fograí Scoile: (Micheál Ó Tuama)**

 **School Rules / Uniform (Liam O Laighin)**

 **Litir Chuig an Roinn Oideachais**

 **AOB**

**Fograí Scoile:**

1. **16/03/18 Bl. 5** Workshop for Art students was held on site.
2. **20/02/18 Bl. 4** have completed all their subject rotations. Ber Breathnach will complete subject choices with Bl 4 for L. Cert.
3. **21/03/18** Ceolchoirm was held in Scoil na nÓg with Davinia Robinson.
4. **21/03/18** Ber Breathnach attendedCritical Incidence training for the school.
5. **22/03/18** Senior Business students attended the “Future Sparks” festival in the RDS.
6. **22/03/18** A guest speaker for science was on site.
7. **23/03/18** Child Protection Policy has been drafted and needs to be validated by the BOM.
8. **09/04/18** Leaving Cert Orals began this week.
9. **10/04/18** The Ceoldráma was held in the Firkin Crane.
10. **30/04/18** Health/Wellness Week. The Cumann agreed to provide fresh fruit for students.

**SCHOOL UNIFORM**

**Liam O’Laighin** spoke to the meeting regarding **the school uniform.** He informed the meeting that overall the students are quite good about following the rules relating to the school uniform. However there are concerns about the amount of jewellery being worn by some students. While the school rules clearly state that male students cannot wear earrings, there is an increasing number of students doing so. Similarly female students are now wearing a lot more than the allowed single stud per ear. A detailed discussion was then held with the meeting. It was agreed that equality was important but the meeting was unsure on how to progress with this. i.e. should the new rule be no jewellery at all for anybody, should both **male and female** students be allowed a single pair of stud earrings etc? **Liam will redraft the policy and revert to the meeting in May.**

**SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT**

The Consulting Engineer Brian O’Kennedy has issued his report. The Cumann reviewed this report and agreed that a letter is to be sent to the Dept. of Ed. ***(Post Meeting Note: It was decided that once this letter has been drafted it is to be reviewed at the BOM meeting on 10th May and any bring any updates/comments back to the Cumann. Therefore next Cumann meeting is Tuesday 15th May at 8.30pm.).***

Suggested list of Politicians to send letter to **remain as follows:**

Billy Kelleher

Dara Murphy

Micheál Martin

Simon Covney

Eoin O’Leary

Michael Mc Grath

**GOLF CLASSIC**

Sponsors for this years Golf Classic (Friday 28th Sept. 2018 in Cork Golf Club) need to be identified by the end of the school Year. (2019 Golf Classic date is Friday 13th Sept 2019).

**DEFIBRILLATORS**

Majella has received 3 quotes for a portable defibrillator which are relatively close in cost. Cardiac Services: €1,400, Safety Tech €1,000-€1,600 and Elite Ambulances €1,360 with a current offer of €1,195. All plus VAT. **Majella has identified a new vendor called “Heartsine” and will probably order with them as they are providing a more competitive quote.**

**LOCKERS**

It is **still envisaged** that Bl. 5, & Bl. 6 **lockers will be in place** by September 2018. MOT is currently trying to identify suitable locations for these lockers as placing them in classrooms is not ideal as BL 5 & Bl 6 students are only in their base classrooms for a minimal number of classes during the day. Currently looking at approx €16,000 for these lockers.

**SCHOOL TRACKSUIT**

An agreement has been reached on school tracksuit and school shorts with the School staff and the Comhairle na Mac Léinn. **MÓT will show a sample of these at the next Cumann meeting.**

**ROWING**

**Mark Chu gave an update on the schedule for the Rowing Regatta being held on April 29th.** Currently there are 21 students participating and Mark is co-ordinating the teams. The students represent 3 rowing clubs; Shandon, Fermoy and Lee. The entry fee for the regatta is approx €250/300. Each student is required to purchase his/her own kit for approx €58 as they will keep this and use it as and when required. There will be a nominal insurance fee of approx €100 which the Cumann agreed to pay. **MÓT thanked Mark for all his work to date**.

**AOB**

* Communication regarding the Ceoldráma and the London trip was very poor this year and it was asked if this could be improved upon going forward. However the **Ceoldráma** itself was an excellent performance and all concerned really enjoyed particiating.
* All Cumann monies are **yet to be transferred** from BOI to AIB.
* It was **hoped** that the road beside the school would be widened in summer of **2019** but some local businesses do not appear to be on board yet.
* Helen presented a request from **Veronica Ní Mhurchú** for some new books for the school library. Veronica was liasing with Waterstones bookstore and using world book day tokens. A donation of €100 was agreed by the meeting.
* Brendan Newell suggested that he email MÓT contact details of those involved in securing the new **Gaelscoil in Fermoy**.

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