

A meeting of Laois and Offaly Education and Training Board was held on Monday 24 February 2020 at 4:30 pm at Tullamore College.

#### PRESENT

Cllr. Neil Feighery (Chairperson)

Ms. Maura Brophy

Ms. Molly Buckley

Cllr. John Carroll

Cllr. Clare Claffey

Ms. Mary Cotter Bracken

Mr. Dave Cullen

Ms. Evelyn Dunne

Cllr. Caroline Dwane-Stanley

Cllr. Catherine Fitzgerald

Cllr. Eddie Fitzpatrick

Cllr. Padraig Fleming

Mr. Shane Flesk

Cllr. Robert McDermott

Mr. John Mollin

Mr. Frank Smith

Cllr. Mary Sweeney

Mr. Niall Tully

# IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Joe Cunningham, Chief Executive

Ms. Marie Bracken, Director of OSD

Ms. Pam Nolan, APO Human Resources

Ms. Jean Keating, Corporate Governance

## 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr. Frank Moran.

# 2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS LOETB MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting, which took place on 27 January 2020 were circulated to members. Members approved the minutes and they were signed by the Chairperson.

Proposed by: John Mollin Seconded by: John King

#### 3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

## 4. GOVERNANCE

## Risk Management

The Risk Register was reviewed by the Audit and Risk Committee meeting at their meeting on the 20 February. The Audit and Risk Committee recommended the Risk Register to the Board for approval. A copy of same was circulated to members prior the meeting for consideration. Members approved the Risk Register.

## 7. DRAFT POLICIES FOR ADOPTION

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The following policies were circulated to members prior to the meeting. Members approved the policies as follows:

## **LOETB Policies**

- Volunteering and Work Experience Proposed by: Catherine Fitzgerald Seconded by: Mary Cotter-Bracken
- Educational Tours and Field Trip Proposed by: Molly Buckley Seconded by: Frank Smith
- Bring Your Own Device Proposed by: John Carroll Seconded by: Dave Cullen
- Protected Disclosures
   Proposed by: John Mollin
   Seconded by: Evelyn Dunne
- Safety Statement

Proposed by: Caroline Dwane Stanley Seconded by: Robert McDermott

## 8. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

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The following minutes of committees of the Board were circulated prior to the meeting. Members confirmed the minutes as follows;

Coláiste Naomh Cormac, Kilcormac: 14 January 2019, 14 March 2019, 24 October 2019

Proposed by: Mary Sweeney

Seconded by: Mary Cotter-Bracken

#### 9. CONFIRMATION OF BOM MEMBERSHIPS

The Chief Executive received nominations for membership of the following boards of management;

BOM Nominee at Tullamore College BOM Nominee: Sheila Maloney Proposed by: Molly Buckley Seconded by: John Mollin

BOM Nominee at Oakland's Community College, Edenderry

**BOM Nominee:** Noel Bourke Proposed by: Robert McDermott Seconded by: Catherine Fitzgerald

**BOM Nominees at Portlaoise College** 

BOM Nominees: Alison Brown, Damien Bowe, Kelly Ging, Alan Hartnett

Proposed by: Maura Brophy Seconded by: Catherine Fitzgerald

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#### 10. CONFIRMATION OF NOMINEES TO YOUTH WORK COMMITTEE

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The following nominees expressed an interest in membership of the Youth Work Committee:

- Elaine Moore, Laois County Council
- Aisling Flaherty, Offaly Comhairle na nÓg
- Bernie Meally, Foróige
- · Clive Davis, Youth Work Ireland Laois
- Geraldine Lacey, Youth Work Ireland Midlands

Members confirmed the above nominees as members of the Youth Work Committee.

Proposed by: Caroline Dwane-Stanley

Seconded by: Mary Sweeney

## 11. CONFIRMATION OF NOMINEES TO ARTS COMMITTEE

The following nominees expressed an interest in membership of the Arts Committee:

- Mary Brady, Arts Officer, Laois County Council
- Sally O'Leary, Arts Officer, Offaly County Council
- James Harvey, Portlaoise College, Music Teacher Representative
- Jock Nichol, Abbeyleix FET Centre, Art Tutor Representative

Members confirmed the above nominees as members of the Arts Committee.

Proposed by: Catherine Fitzgerald

Seconded by: Clare Claffey

# 12. MEMBERSHIP TO THE GOVERNING BODY AT ATHLONE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

The CE received a letter from Dr. Christy Duffy, Chief Executive at Longford and Westmeath ETB, outlining that the term of office of the Governing Body of Athlone Institute of Technology (AIT) will end 31 March 2020. LOETB is requested to submit the name of one male and one female nominee to the Governing Body at AIT, with an indication as to which person is the first preference of the Board and second preference of the Board.

Female nominee: Clare Claffey (First Preference)

Proposed by: Catherine Fitzgerald

Seconded by: Mary Sweeney

Male nominee: Joe Cunningham (Second Preference)

Proposed by: Catherine Fitzgerald Seconded by: Mary Sweeney

The CE will write to Dr. Christy Duffy and inform him of the nominations to the Governing

Body at AIT.

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