

**Board of Management Agreed Report**

***This report records matters that have been formally agreed by the Board of Management at a meeting.***

**Date of Meeting:** 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2025

**Meeting Number:** 1/5

**Academic Year:** 2025-26

The Chairperson confirmed that a quorum was present and the meeting proceeded.

**1. Minutes**

The minutes of the previous Board of Management meeting were approved.

**2. Educational Matters**

**Academic Attainment:** As his post (API), Tadhg Long leads Academic Attainment. This year, Tadhg has led the introduction of Exam Revision, a platform through which students and teachers can access past exam papers questions and marking schemes, video tutorials, PowerPoint presentations, notes and quizzes for each of their subjects. Students and teachers received training (Exam Revision) in early September whilst First Year parents/guardians were introduced to Athena and Exam Revision at the First Year Information Night last week. Exam Revision was funded by the Book Grant.

**Leaving Cert. Applied:** Our first year of LCA has 14 students and they are engaging very well to date. Michelle Buckley is Coordinator of their course.

**Senior Cycle:** Tranche 1 of redeveloped Senior Cycle subjects includes Biology, Physics, Chemistry and Business. These subjects are rolling out to a network of Phase One schools for students who started in September 2025, with the aim of providing more relevant and engaging options for learners.

**Short Courses:** The 1st year cohort have undertaken the one-day rotation programme to assist them in choosing their Short Course. Short Courses include Chinese, Coding, Digital Media Literacy and STEAM Digital Media Literacy or Coding or STEAM. All students got their first choice of Short Course.

**Special Class:** Shane Moloney and Stephen MacSweeney presented their plans for the year ahead at a recent meeting. These plans are individualised for students and incorporate learning units and modules suitable to the needs of our students. Emma Fitzharris is overseeing all work in the Haven as Coordinator.

**Taster Programme:** The annual 1st year Subject Options Taster Programme is on its second rotation. Students study Applied Technology, Art, Business, Engineering, French, Graphics, Home Economics, Materials Technology (Wood), Music and Spanish over a six-week period. Most subjects appear on all three bands, and we don't expect there to be oversubscription in any subject area.

### **3. Finance**

The financial report was presented and approved. The Board confirmed that financial governance is in accordance with Cork ETB requirements.

### **4. School Planning/Policy Matters**

The Board was informed of meetings that have taken place since the last meeting as well as teachers/SNAs who have undertaken CPD.

The Board reviewed and approved the following policies:

- Admissions Policy (review)
  - Child Safeguarding & Risk Assessment (review)
  - Critical Incident Policy (review)
- An updated list of College policies was furnished to the Board.

### **5. Child Protection Oversight**

The Child Protection Oversight Report was presented in line with DES requirements. The Board confirmed that Child Protection procedures are being implemented in accordance with Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools (2023).

### **6. Bí Cineálta Appendix D**

Appendix D was presented to and approved by the Board of Management and is being implemented in line with Department of Education requirements.

### **7. General Report from Principal**

Parents Association

22/05/25: The PA assisted with elements of the LC graduation (decorations and refreshments) for which we were very grateful.

01/09/25: Committee Meeting re planning for 2025/26.

15/09/25: Refreshments at First Year Information Night

23/09/25: The PA is involved in the Open Night

Beyond the Classroom:

ECA list was forwarded to parents and students and ECAs have commenced, currently 26 to choose from. We have asked all students to partake in at least one activity.

Acknowledgement: Martin Coleman's dedication and commitment to keeping the CCC Mission Statement a living statement for which we are very grateful. We wish Martin the very best in his new role as Principal of Coláiste Ghobnatan.

Students are settling in very well; staff are working hard to maintain expectations and standards of CCC and to ensure students are supported. This has led to a very smooth return to school. There is a total of 100 staff members and 914 students. We welcome new caretaker, Rafal Szreder, as well as new teaching staff, SNAs and PME students.

Everyone was very happy with the LC results- students are pursuing a variety of college courses across third level institutions, FET colleges and apprenticeships e.g. e.g. Medicine, Dentistry, Psychology, Occupational Therapy, Leisure, Recreation and Gym Instruction, Social Studies, International Business and Marketing, Arts, Nursing, various Engineering and Science courses, electrician and plumbing apprenticeships to name but a few. A special mention for Kate Bogue who achieved 625 points.

#### **8. Any Other Agreed Business**

The next meeting of the Board of Management will take place on 06<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

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