

## MINUTES OF MEETING

## Held on 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2013

### In the Dunraven Arms Hotel, Adare, Co. Limerick.

#### Present:

Cllr. Denis McCarthy, Chairperson

Cllr. Tommy Brennan, Deputy Chairperson

Ms. Joan Aherne Cllr. Micheal Hillery Cllr. Michael Begley Mr. Jim Houlihan Mr. Tony Brazil Clir. Michael Houlihan Cllr. Rose Brennan Cllr. Michael Hourigan Cllr. Pat Burke Mr. Paddy Hourigan Cllr. Maria Byrne Cllr. Mary Howard Mr. Billy Carmody Cllr. Cormac Hurley Mr. Micheal Corley Cllr. Mary Jackman Ms. Mary Flanagan Mr. Eddie Keane Cllr. Liam Galvin Mr. Sean Kennedy

Mr. Flan Garvey Cllr. Joe Leddin
Mr. Bernard Hanrahan Cllr. Sean McLoughlin
Ms. Marian Harnett Cllr. David Moloney

Cllr. Kieran O'Hanlon
Ms. Catherine Prendiville
Ms. Marinella Raftery
Cllr. Damien Riedy
Ms. Phil Roche
Cllr. Eddie Ryan
Cllr. P.J. Ryan
Cllr. Michael Sheahan

Ms. Catherine Tuohy
Cllr. Eddie Wade
Cllr Liam Williams
Ms. Marie Wright McCabe

#### Apologies:

Cllr. Peter Considine Cllr. Gabriel Keating

Ms. Linda Ledger Cllr. James Long

Ms. Sinead Nolan Mr. Declan Philips

#### In attendance:

Mr. Sean Burke, Chief Executive

Ms. Bernadette Cullen, Education Officer,

Post Primary Division

Mr. Paul Patton, FET Officer Mr. Eamon Murphy, Head of

Capital/Procurement

Mr. Denis O'Brien, Head of ICT/MIS Mr. John O'Connor, Head of Corporate Affairs

Ms. Mary Troy, Head of Finance

Ms. Joanne O'Brien, Corporate Affairs Ms. Caroline Hayes, Corporate Affairs

# 1. Establishment of Finance and Audit Committees

The Chief Executive informed the Members that the special meeting of the Limerick and Clare Education and Training Board (LCETB) was convened for the purpose of giving effect to the letter from the Department of Education and Skills that the LCETB should establish (a) a Finance Committee and (b) an Audit Committee in accordance with Section 45 of the Education and Training Boards Act 2013. In its earlier letter to the Chief Executive, the Department had stated that, pending the publication of a revised Code of Practice for the governance of Education and Training Boards, the appointment of Finance and Audit Committees should await further instructions. In its more recent letter, the advice from the Department was that LCETB should go ahead and establish these committees in accordance with the legislation. The Department further advised that in the event of a conflict between the existing Code of Practice on governance and the legislation, the legislative provisions would prevail. It was unanimously agreed by the Board that each Local Area Committee would nominate two Members on to the Finance Committee. Following a brief recess, the Board appointed the following:

- Cllr. Michael Hillery proposed by Mr. Tommy Brennan and Seconded by Cllr. Bernard Hanrahan.
- Cilr. Pat Burke proposed by Mr. Tommy Brennan and seconded Cilr. Sean McLoughlin.
- Cllr. Michael Hourigan proposed by Cllr. Kieran O'Hanlon and seconded Cllr. Maria Byrne.
- Mr. Tony Brazil proposed by Cllr Kieran O'Hanlon and seconded by Cllr. Joan Ahern
- Cllr. Rose Brennan and Cllr. Michael Houlihan proposed by Cllr. Mary Jackman and seconded by Cllr. Liam Galvin.

## 2. Audit Committee

It was also unanimously agreed by the Board that each Local Area Committee would nominate two Members on to the Audit Committee. Following recess, the Board appointed the following:

- Cllr. Mary Howard proposed by Mr. Tommy Brennan and seconded by Cllr. Bernard Hanrahan.
- Cllr. Gabriel Keating proposed Mr. Tommy Brennan and seconded by Cllr. Sean McLoughlin.
- Cllr. Maria Byrne proposed by Cllr. Kieran O'Hanlon and seconded by Cllr. Joan Ahern.
- Cllr. Kieran O'Hanlon proposed by Cllr. Michael Hourigan and seconded by Cllr. Maria Byrne.
- Cllr. Michael Sheahan and Mr. Jim Houlihan proposed by Cllr. Mary Jackman and seconded by Cllr. Liam Galvin.

It was unanimously agreed by the Board to appoint Mr. Jim Houlihan as Chairperson of the Audit Committee.

# 3. Post Primary Development - Update

Further to the decision to amalgamate St Nessan's Community College and Salesian Secondary School, and following further consideration of the matter, the Board decided in confirming the decision to extend the time-frame for the amalgamation from two to three years.

(Signed) SEAN BURKE,

Chief Executive.

Signed:

Chairman of meeting held on 11th December, 2013.