



CCC Parents Association Meeting November 14th 2022

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Agenda – 14th November 2022

- Summary AGM October
- Role of PA
- Finance update
- Mock interviews 2022 update
- Support required
- School update – John Cronin (Principal)
- AOB

Summary: October 2022 AGM

- A big thank you to Liam Ó Flannagáin who stepped down as chairperson and Brian McCann as parent rep to the BOM
 - Election of new Chairperson John Goodwin and parent rep to BOM Myles Byrne
 - Treasurers report -> €4,957.82 in cash & Reconciliations
 - Update on fundraising:
 - Plant sale – €23.7k profit and €25k donation to the school
 - School uniform sale circa €2k raised for Pieta House
 - Update by John Cronin – Principal and support from the PA
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Role of Parents Association – New Attendees

- Partnering with the school management and staff
- Arrange talks of interest for parents throughout the academic year
- Mock interviews
- Scribes for inhouse exams
- Policy review for school – parental input
- Fundraising & fun – e.g. plant sale



Finance Update

CCC Parent Association Income & Expenditure 31/10/2022

Annual Report Opening Balance 01st Oct'22	€	<u>4,688.30</u>
Plus Unpresented cheque Arachas Ins 500605	€	275.00
Less confirmed September bank fees	€	5.48
Opening Balance 01st Oct'22	€	<u>4,957.82</u>
Income		
Income Total	€	-
Opening Balance Plus Income	€	4,957.82
Less Expenditure		
Arachas Insurance Renewal Cheque 500605	€	285.00
Bank Fees	€	-
Expenditure Total	€	285.00
Subtotals: O/B + Income - Exp	€	<u>4,672.82</u>
Closing Balance at 31st October September 2022	€	<u>4,672.82</u>



Mock Interviews 2022 Update

This year:

- Decision was made to keep the numbers small, being the first face-to-face interviews since pre Covid
- Interviewed LC2 LCVP students, providing them with a trial run for their leaving cert interview
- For the first time - we interviewed the LC2 LCA students in preparation for their interviewing for PLC courses
- Had a first-time interviewer parent on each interview panel
- 15-20 minute interview , followed by 5 minute feedback session



Mock Interviews 2022 Update

About the evening:

- Hugely successful evening
- Great to be back with face-to-face interviews!
- PA works very well with the school in the preparation and execution of this evening
- Big thank you:
 - Mr Cronin
 - LCVP teacher Ms Pamela Dunne
 - School support staff for arranging the rooms, canteen, etc.
 - Interviewers – you the parents
 - Lorraine Hagerty from the PA
- We would love to build back to interviewing the wider 6th year student group in 2023



Mock Interviews 2022 Update

Consider for future years:

- Interview intervals
 - Were left at 30 mins again this year
 - 15-20 minutes for interview
 - 5 mins feedback
 - 5 mins for interviewers between interviews
 - It felt rushed we can plan to going back to 25 min interviews
- Expand to the wider LC2 group, it's a life skill
- Option for 'career clinics' suggested again this year, allowing for career discussions for students with people in the industry / profession
- Need to have a greater pool of parents engage for 'general interviews'
- Arranging and planning this event can be a challenge, the number for parents required and potential for cancellations

Mock Interviews 2022 Update

Student feedback:

Parents can be proud of the impact on students. Some of their feedback included'

When asked what they might now consider for future interviews?

- "relax more and don't be nervous"
- "it's given me good practise"
- "it really gave me a good insight on how interviews work"
- "it gave me confidence and I was able to express myself well"

Advice they would give to someone going for their first interview?

- "not to worry, be confident"
- "be calm"
- "it's ok to take your time"
- "don't say like"
- "be confident and only speak well about yourself"
- "don't stress, they only want you to do well"



Support Required

- Scribes – Christmas exams & mocks
 - “Critical Incident” policy needs reviewing
 - Debs rep to work with school debs team
 - TY placement pool – idea generation
 - Parental talks
 - Plant sale volunteers
 - More participants – talk to your friends & neighbours
 - What else can we do ?
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School Update

John Cronin – Principal



AOB

- Change meetings times from 8:00pm to 7:30pm
- Participants → Volunteers
 - Scribes
 - TY placement pool
 - Policy review
 - Parental talks
 - Mock Interviews

THANK YOU PARENTS

Next Meeting Monday 5th December @ 7:30 or 8:30

