

## **Bulletin on the Board of Management Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

The following is a summary of the Board of Management of Oberstown Children Detention Campus meeting that took place via Zoom on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Summary</b>
1.	Young People	The Board heard - via the Advocacy Officer - about the experiences and views of young people about living in Oberstown in a time of COVID 19. The Board learned that there had been some positive elements of the experience (video calls with family), that they had concerns about family and were keen to get back to school. The report forms part of the Board's plan to hear directly from young people and undertook to provide feedback to young people on their views and concerns.
2.	Board Committees	<p><b>Governance Committee</b> The GC Chair updated the Board on progress being made in the implementation of the Committee's workplan including: plans for a Board Self Effectiveness Review 2020, completion of the Code of Practice Compliance Checklist, Implementation of the Oversight Agreement and engagement with young people.</p> <p><b>Audit &amp; Risk Committee</b> The ARC Chair updated the Board on the work of the Committee around the Audit Plan 2020, Financial Reporting and Budgeting and Risk Management.</p>
3.	Covid 19	The Director confirmed that, as of 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2020, the Campus remained COVID-19 free. The Director advised that there are arrangements in place to manage the Campus until June 15 <sup>th</sup> when new the current roster will need to be renegotiated. The Board welcomed the regular communication with staff at this time and welcomed that plans are being developed to re-introduce activity – including placement planning, training, staff meetings and maintenance work-paused or deferred because of COVID-19.
4.	Restrictive Practices	There were 48 incidents of single separation in April 2020 which is the lowest monthly number recorded this year. The Board welcomed the decrease. There has been no use of handcuffs on Campus since the Board meeting in March 2020. The number of physical interventions decreased from ten to seven for the month of April 2020. Again this was welcomed.
5.	Strategic Planning	The Director brought a revised (in light of COVID-19) plan for consultation around the strategic plan to the Board. This was approved and referred to the Board Strategy Committee for further discussion and implementation.
6.	Education	The Director advised the Board that the School Principal had stepped down from his position, the role is temporarily being filled by the Deputy Principal until DDLETB appoint a new Principal. The Principal was wished well and a note of thanks recorded for his service to Oberstown.
7.	Communication	The Oberstown Annual Report 2019 was approved. The Board also received an overview of Workvivo, Oberstown's new internal workplace communications platform.

**Professor Ursula Kilkelly**  
Chairperson