

Management Board Meeting Minutes

Monday 23 September 2019, 10.30

Attendance: Secretary General (Fergal Lynch), Bernie McNally, Dermot Ryan, Éimear Fisher, Laura McGarrigle, and Miriam Kenna (reporting).

FL welcomed Laura McGarrigle to her first MB meeting in her new role as Assistant Secretary. The MB wished her well in her new role.

1. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of meeting of 9 September 2019 were agreed, with minor amendments.

2. Matters Arising

FL to circulate document outlining agenda items for strategic and operational discussion.

3. Organisational Structures Review

Vera McGrath and Sarah Ryan attended for this discussion. The MB considered a final draft of the report and formally accepted it, including the recommendation for a functional model as described in Option 2 of the report. The MB agreed on the approach to take for the forthcoming 'away' meeting of the SMT on 26/27 September. The MB thanked VMcG, SR and the whole project team for the excellent work in bringing the report to this stage.

4. For Noting

The MB noted the documents circulated in advance. FL noted the value and importance of the weekly updates provided through the Hive by POs, but asked that they be kept brief as originally agreed.

5. AOB

- Budget 2020:

It was noted that FL, DR and the Minister would attend a meeting with the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform on 30 September. The DCYA ELS bid has been the subject of discussion with DPER. It was agreed that DR would arrange a meeting with Patricia Ryan to discuss the Minister's priorities in advance of the meeting of 30 September.

- Public Service Innovation

The MB considered a letter received from the Secretary General of the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform on the progress of Public Service Innovation initiatives. All Departments are invited to sign a supportive declaration, and to nominate a representative to take part in a Public Service Innovation Network. DR agreed to nominate an appropriate person for the first network meeting on 30 September.

6. Next Meeting

The SMT meeting was confirmed for 26-27 September and the next MB meeting was confirmed for Monday 7 October 2019.