

Bandon Grammar School
Board of Management Meeting on 27th August 2018
AGREED REPORT

There was a full attendance.

The Board discussed the implications of the 'non-exempt' status in rugby for a number of boys who prefer to play with their club this year. Discussion with Munster Branch officials and parents continue.

The school has registered with Droichead for support and mentoring of newly qualified teachers. A number of items of correspondence were considered. The Board agreed to implement recommendations to restrict use of mobile phones by pupils between 9.00a.m. and 4.00p.m. following consultation as set out in Circular 0038/2018.

Progress on the many building projects undertaken this summer was welcomed by the Board. The centre of the school has been pedestrianised, a new car park completed, the new teachers centre almost finished, boarding houses upgraded and the new hockey pitch is well underway.

The Principal reported on the Habitat for Humanity trip to Zambia and the computer VDI infrastructure now entering a pilot project sponsored by DELL.

An analysis of Leaving Certificate grades was circulated for study.

Draft policies on 'Managing Nut and Peanut Allergies' and an appendix to the 'Special Education Needs Policy', 'Reasonable Accommodations at Certificate Examinations RACE' were circulated for consideration. Work on a new GDPR policy is proceeding.

An application for a storage facility for the Art Department is to be costed.

Enrolment for 2018-19 is expected to be stable.

Staff appointments and leaves were approved.

The next stage of the appointment procedure for a vacant Assistant Principal 1 Post was approved following review. Dr Margaret O'Donovan was appointed as independent chairperson of the selection panel and the other panel members selected are Dr Ann Caird (reserve Mrs Penny Elliott) and the Principal.

The Child Protection Report was completed and recorded.

Next meeting – October 1st.