



Agreed Report of Board of Management meeting held on **Thursday 4th February 2021.**

1. PRESENT:

Ms. V. O'Mahony (Chairperson)
Ms. R. Mulcahy
Mr. J. Lyons
Ms. R. Mehigan
Mr. A. O'Leary
Fr. P. Fogarty
Mr. H. Crowley
Mr. R. Bateman
Ms. U. O'Donnell
Mr. P. Burke (Secretary to the Board)

Apologies:

Fr. P. Fogarty

2. **CORRESPONDENCE:** The Board noted a number of items of correspondence.
3. **FINANCE:** The finance subcommittee met prior to the Board meeting. The Board reviewed the financial position of the School.
4. **STAFFING:** Applications for Job Share/ Career Break/ Secondment were discussed. The involvement of the school in supporting the various teaching training programmes was also noted. The school are continuing to support student teachers even in this period of online teaching and learning.
5. **ACCS:** Advice from ACCS is ongoing.
6. **TEACHING & LEARNING:**
Engagement with google classroom is excellent. We have a much more streamlined approach for this school closure as all teachers are using the same platform.

The Board agreed to continue with the current online timetable. It was felt that the shorter time in front of screens made it more manageable for students and staff. The sixth year students will have additional sessions in the afternoons after midterm break.

7. BUILDINGS:

- Footpaths –a section of astroturf will be put in at the side of the new building, as students are walking on the grass and it is getting very muddy.
- Painting programme – we are getting quotes for painting parts of the old building

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

1. Pre-State Examinations:

- We await further direction from the Department of Education with regard the State Examinations. This will impact on the pre-state examinations.

2. “Christmas” House Exams: Reports issued to parents/guardians on VSWare

3. Request from SENO for 3rd ASD class – after much discussion, the Board agreed to the addition of a third ASD class in the school commencing September 2021. In doing so the Board are trying to meet the needs of the community and encourages all 2nd level schools to do the same.

4. Planning 2021/2022:

- Timetabling for 2021/2022 is getting underway at present

5. Curriculum Planning:

- Options meetings for 2021/2022 for first, third and fourth year students were held online in recent weeks. Parents/Guardians have input subject options on VSware.

Next meeting 23rd March 2021