

The meeting of the Board of Management of Good Counsel College took place in the Conference Room on Monday December 18th 2017.



063/2017 Apologies Mr Brian O'Brien

064/2017 The meeting started with a prayer.

065/2017 Minutes and Matters Arising.

Proposed: Sheila McAuliffe

Seconded: Pat Wickham

066/2017 Fr John Hennebry OSA made a presentation to the Board on behalf of the Augustinian Schools Trust outlining the roles and responsibilities of Board members.

067/2017 Correspondence

1. Personal Leave was approved for one teachers.
2. Letter from James Lucey & Company regarding injuries to [REDACTED] during the construction of Villanova extension. Our insurers and trustees have been informed of the correspondence.
3. Unsuccessful in our application to pilot Senior Cycle Computer Science.

068/2017 Health and Safety

1. Retrospective vetting of all teaching staff is ongoing.
2. Enactment of Children First Act 2015, effective December 11th 2017,
3. 1 referral to the TUSLA & Gardai.

069/2017 Discipline Issues

- 1 * 1 day suspensions – Refused to hand up a mobile phone.

070/2017 Substitution/Part-time teachers

- Those teachers engaged in substitution were identified to the Board.
- A number of teachers are on reduced hour contracts and they are being offered substitution and part time hours as recommended by DES and JMB.

071/2017 Finance Sub Committee Report

Focus on the Dining Room. Sub-committee of Pat Wickham, Maria Lindell, Carmel Cleere and Sheila McAuliffe

072/2017 Current Issues

1. Professional Time.

Arrangement proposed by JMB is to reduce teacher contact by the number of hours they are entitled to through the S & S scheme. These hours which have been ring-fenced on OLCS can be drawn down to meet the needs. (441.33 hours)

The ASTI are currently discussing the proposals.

2. POR Interviews

a. Difficulties in establishing a committee outlined. Pat McEvoy and Gene O'Sullivan available to act as chairperson. The principal was asked to confirm both as independent chairpersons and to make contact with other potential selection committee BOM nominees. This would be updated through email to all BOM members.

073/2017 AOB

1. Digital Strategy Committee

Initial information from the group was distributed to the Board. Members of the committee will present at the next BOM meeting.

2. Student Council

An invite is to be extended to meet with the Student Council.

3. JCPA

JCPA information is currently being gathered from parents/students to inform 'other areas of achievement' on the final JCPA.

075/2017 The Board attended for a meal in Brandon House. Members of the previous Board were also in attendance and a presentation was made to each former member to thank them for their contribution to the college.

Fr Hennebry made a special presentation to MR Paddy Breen who had stepped down from the Board having continuously served on the BOM since one was established in the college.

Proposed: _____ Seconded: _____

Chairperson: _____ Date: _____