

Agreed Report GCC Board of Management Meeting Monday 9 November 2020

Board Members:

Parent Nominees: Mr Alan Mulcahy, Ms. Ger Moloney-Sheehan

Cork ETB Nominees: Ms Linda Skillington (Chairperson), Mr. Tony Kidney, Cllr. Noel McCarthy

Diocesan Nominees: Father Pat Nugent

Minority Nominee: Ms. Adelle Kidney

Teacher Nominees: Mr. John Baldwin, Mr. Tom Pittam

Recording Secretary: Mr Sean McGrath (Deputy Principal)

Secretary: Mr Ronan McCarthy (Principal)

1. The Board offered its condolences to staff member Karen Dinan on the recent death of her mother Teresa.
2. The Board was updated on a number of Teaching & Learning developments in the school including Leaving Cert Calculated Grades 2020, our new short course 'My Brain & Me', our Assessment Calendar, our Learning Support programmes and Priority Learning Units (PLU's).
3. The Board was presented with an overview of the existing finances in the school and outlined some considerations for future expenditure, in particular, relating to our school pitch development.
4. The Board was updated on a number of items under 'Risk' including our school fire drill, servicing of air compressors in practical rooms, school vaccination programmes, servicing of fire equipment and our Covid-19 procedures.
5. The Board was updated on a number of items related to the school building including Road Safety Improvement Works at Brooklodge Grove, redevelopment of out teacher resource rooms, installation of Marquees in Outdoor Areas, C-Block roof repairs and IT/Wi-Fi issues.
6. The Board members were updated on any child protection referrals, bullying reports, suspensions and exclusions since its last meeting. The Board was presented with the child protection oversight report.

7. The Board was updated on the enrolment process for 1st Year September 2021. The Board agreed to increase our 1st Year enrolment from 180 students (6 class groups) to 210 students (7 class groups). The Board also agreed that a (separate) lottery would take place for Category 4, Category 5 and Category 6 applicants.

8. The Board was updated on our school pitch development project.

9. The Board was updated on a number of school planning initiatives including Restorative Practice training for staff, election of Class Captains and Vice Captains and arrangements for postponed State Exams.

10. The Board was informed that GCC has been selected to be a participant school in the Forbairt programme.

11. The Board was updated on the development of the school's Health & Safety statement.

12. The proposed date for the next meeting of the Board is Monday 11 January 2021.