

**Diocese of Elphin
St. Cuan's College**

**Board of Management
Meeting of Monday April 24th 2017
7.15 – 9.15 pm**

AGREED REPORT

The Board took a moment to come into God's presence, to ponder a scripture text and to invoke God's blessing on the meeting and on St. Cuan's College school community.

The chairperson informed the meeting that he had written to the local Garda Superintendent in relation to the Board's concerns re: some parent(s) / guardian(s) ongoing tendency to pull up and park in restricted areas at the beginning and end of each school day, creating a genuine health and safety concern for the well-being of students, staff and other parents/guardians. The Board also supported a proposal for the erection of a mirror across the road from the entrance to St. Cuan's College.

The principal presented a report on life in St. Cuan's College since the Board's previous meeting on March 27th and the Board expressed appreciation for the ongoing work of the principal, deputy principal, other staff and students.

The Board reviewed their statutory duties vis-à-vis students with special educational needs and were pleased to learn via the principal that all students seem happy and content in St. Cuan's College at this time and that teachers are pleased with their progress. The principal also informed the board that St. Cuan's had appealed their Special Needs Allocation for 2017/18 and were assured that St. Cuan's would retain its current allocation.

The Board also agreed that the principal and chair of the Board of Management would meet with parents / guardians of students who would be impacted next year owing to the cessation of the subsidization of the private bus.

The Board also approved a suggestion that there be consultation with parents through the Parents' Association concerning core subjects in St. Cuan's going forward. Consultation is already under way with staff.

The Deputy Principal informed the Board that St. Cuan's had received a grant in relation to St. Cuan's ICT infrastructure and that more grant funding was anticipated.

The Board also welcomed a suggestion from St. Cuan's College's patron, Bishop Kevin Doran, that a short End-of-Year Thanksgiving Gathering take place in May. This is to take place from 5 to 6 pm on Tuesday May 23rd and will take the form of a short prayer service, a few short speeches and a cuppa. All members of the school community are welcome.

Reports were also received from the Board of Management's Finance, Policy and Ethos, Pastoral Care and Religious Education subcommittees and related matters were discussed, e.g. the possibility of St. Cuan's College being the base for a pilot Fun, Faith and Friendship Summer Camp for Primary School children in July, the preparation of St. Cuan's 2017/2018 school budget and the updating of some school policies.

The chairperson thanked Board members for their participation in the meeting and for their work in advance of the meeting, e.g. review of statutory obligations. The meeting concluded with a prayer invoking Our Lady's intercession on the work of the meeting, the Board and St. Cuan's College school community.