



Stratford College Board of Management Agreed Report

Monday 26 November 2018 at 6.30 pm

The Board of Management met for its third meeting on Monday 26 November 2018.

BOM correspondence included a letter of condolence to Mrs McGuckin following the death of her father.

Patricia highlighted the upcoming seminar on the new Admission Bill and hoped to have some feedback for the February meeting and the pending consultation with staff, parents and Student Council on the use of mobile phones.

Some of the BOM attended BOM training and found it very worthwhile. High quality resource materials were made available and information supplied on the role and function of a school BOM.

The meeting expressed its satisfaction with the success of the recent Open Day and its thanks to students, staff and parents for their help with this. Projected enrolment showed waiting lists for the next two years.

Child Protection

The BOM Oversight Safeguarding Risk Assessment Report November 2018 was approved.

Annual Meeting of BOM with PA and Student Council.

There was a wide ranging discussion with members of the BOM, PA and Student Council on their respective challenges and successes of the last year and plans for the next year.

All present commented on the positive benefits of the improved facilities in the school, impact of increased numbers and the sense of belonging and school identity that a small school like Stratford is so committed to and which is captured in the *This Is Us* exercise students were recently involved in.

Areas discussed included how to promote engagement in the school's educational agenda going forward, the pending consultation on the use of mobile phones, student well being and mental health, participation in PE and focus on sports, how the school can better equip parents and students for these challenges.



The BOM expressed its appreciation to all for their attendance and would use the feedback in their deliberations going forward this year.

The meeting concluded with the announcement that Alexey Gorelov has won the Jack Henderson Medal which is awarded annually by the Classical Association of Ireland to the student who has achieved the top mark in the Junior Certificate for classical subjects. To receive both the Junior Certificate Classical Studies and the combined Junior Certificate Classics Award is a great achievement, heartfelt congratulations to him.

Alexey will be presented with his medal by CAI President, Tom Seaver at the CAI Presidential Address to be held on Friday, November 30th 2018 at 7.00 pm in Lecture Theatre NT1, Newman Building, University College Dublin, Belfield, Dublin 4.

This award is particularly poignant given his father passed away suddenly last year. The meeting passed on its warm congratulations to Ms Donohoe and Alexey for this extraordinary accolade.

As there was no other business the meeting was adjourned.

Monday 15 October 2018 (Incoming BOM)

Monday 26 November 2018 (followed by meeting with the PA and Student Council)

Monday 18 February 2019

Monday 8 April 2019

Monday 27 May 2019