**Stratford College Board of Management AGREED REPORT**

**Monday 12 September 2022**

The Board of Management met in person for its first meeting of the academic year on Monday 12 September 2022 in person.

 The Principal noted **the resignation** of three members Dr Shana Cohen, Mr Edmund O’Neill and Dr Sarah Brusey. The BOM thanked them for their contribution and wished them well. The BOM would seek the replacement of these members as soon as possible as a BOM made such an important contribution to the life of the school.

**The Principal’s Report** highlighted admissions and communications activities, staff CPD, an analysis of Leaving Certificate results 2022, preparations for Open Day.

The Principal sent a letter to all parents including the class of 2022 with a breakdown of the results over the previous 3 years and the implications for teachers, students and parents.

The BOM congratulated all teachers of last year’s 6th Years on the fantastic results achieved by our students in their **Leaving Certificate Exam.**

The BOM also asked expressed its appreciation to all our staff for their hard work in showcasing our school on **Open Day** next Sunday and wished it every success. Several of the BOM will be attending to support the efforts on the day.

**Summer Works** this year included 2 additional windows in the penthouse to improve both light and ventilation, the installation of outdoor gym equipment and the replacement of our gas boiler.

The BOM reported its satisfaction with the current **finances**. The **budget** for the year ahead is being finalised and the BOM was pleased to note that procurement contracts with both gas and electrical suppliers were fixed for the remainder of this year. This along with the replacement of the boiler with hoped for improvement in gas efficiency should help to keep energy costs down. Overall, the BOM welcomed a prudent approach to the budget which would result in a breakeven budget.

The Principal sought advice on **alternative sources of power** i.e a generator in case of outtages but our Building Services Engineer advised against this.

The BOM approved the following:

* Annual Child Protection Risk Assessment
* Annual Health and Safety Policy
* Annual Risk Register (incl regulatory and legal checklist)
* Annual School Self Evaluation and School Improvement Plan 2022-23
* Admissions Notice 2023

These were posted to the school website and forwarded to the Parents Association.

The BOM also noted the:

* Annual Report to Trustees 2022
* Revised School Self Evaluation Guidelines, Inspectorate and Looking at our Schools Guidelines
* Revised Irish Exemptions Guidelines

And the BOM considered an update on the BOM’s strategic Plan for 2022-2025. It was hoped to have a draft of this for the next BOM meeting at the end of October.

Finally, the BOM approved the Child Protection Oversight Report.

As there was no other business the BOM adjourned.

**Dates for 2022-23**

*~~Monday 12 September 2022 at 6.30pm (all meetings to start at this time unless stated)~~*

*Thursday 13 October 2022 (PA AGM, Student Council & Outgoing BOM) @ 7pm*

*Monday 24 October 2022*

*Monday 21 November 2022*

*Monday 13 February 2023*

*Monday 27 March 2023 -*

*Monday 29 May 2023*