Saint Joseph's Community College



Board of Management meeting – Agreed Report

Tuesday, 10th May 2016. 4:30 PM

Principal's Report:

- Mental Health Awareness Week was held in the school from the 11th 15th April, John Bones thanked all the teachers involved.
- Orals (French & Irish) and practical exams (Home Economics, Construction Studies & Art) for the State Examinations have been taking place in the school over the last few weeks.

Extra-Curricular

- U-15 soccer lost out narrowly to Our Lady's Belmullet.
- TY students took part in a GAA blitz held in the Connacht Centre of Excellence in Bekan.
- 1st and 2nd Yr boys Gaelic football team were defeated by St. Brendan's Belmullet.

John Bones thanked all the teachers involved with the teams.

Student Council

John Bones met with the Student Council on Tues 12th April. The Student Council on behalf of the students have an input into the revised Code of Behaviour.

Another topic discussed was the possibility of lunchtime activities for the students, particularly 1st, 2nd and 3rd Year boys.

- The launch of Clean-up Day took place in the school hall on Wed 13th April in association with Charlestown Foróige Club.
- Congratulations were extended to students on receiving Gaeltacht scholarships for the upcoming summer. Mr. Bones thanked teachers for assisting the students.
- The JC students visited the Jackie Clarke Visitor Centre in Ballina on Tues 26th Apr.
- 5th year students went on work experience as part of their LCVP course from 18th Apr
 22nd Apr. John Bones thanked teachers for organising the students workplaces.
- Bank of Ireland invited the school to their Enterprise Town event which was held on Friday 22nd April in the CBD Complex. Bank of Ireland donated €500 towards the TY Mini-Companies. Mickey Harte was the guest speaker on the night and he presented both the Senior & Juvenile Gaelic Football Panels with special achievement awards. John Bones thanked the teachers for helping to organise the display and students for the event.

• Members of the senior and juvenile Gaelic football panels have been visiting the local national schools displaying their winning trophies.

5th Year and TY Information Evening

- Held on Thursday 14th April in the hall and computer room.
- There was a good attendance by prospective parents.
- Staff and students presented the TY programme to the parents.
- 26 students have signed up for TY for Sept 2016.

The Parents Association are currently organising a celebratory evening for the victorious Gaelic football teams on Sat 21st May in the CBD Complex. John thanked the parents involved for taking it upon themselves to organise this event.

School Year '16/'17

- Booklists are being prepared for next year's students.
- A draft proposal for the usage of Croke Park Hours is being drawn up (subject to outcome of upcoming ASTI vote).
- Timetabling planning is ongoing.

Update on Code of Behaviour

- The sub-committee have made good progress on the new Code of Behaviour since the last BOM meeting.
- Members of the board received the first draft today.
- Members are to go through the policy and report back to the Principal

School Planning and School Self Evaluation

- A comprehensive literacy plan is in-situ since 2012.
- The numeracy plan is in place also.