

**ST. FLANNAN'S COLLEGE  
BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING  
AGREED REPORT**



<b><i>Date and Time of Meeting</i></b>	Thursday 21st January 2021 at 7.00pm
<b><i>Present</i></b>	Mr Leonard Cleary (Chairperson), Fr Ignatius McCormack (Secretary), Mr Pat Whymys, , Ms Mary Corbett, Dr Denise Cox, Ms Elaine McGrath, Mr Christy O'Connor, Ms Mary Keane, Mr James Delaney
<b><i>Apologies from</i></b>	

The meeting opened with a prayer from Fr McCormack.

The Chairman welcomed the Board.

This meeting is a one item agenda.

AP1 Post. The Principal informed the Board that there were seven applicants for the AP1 post, six presented for interview and one candidate withdrew their application. The interview board recommended a successful candidate. This was agreed by the Board

This appointment leaves an open AP2 post.

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- 1 **NCSE Meeting.** The Principal attended a meeting last week with Deirdre Bourke from the NCSE and the other Ennis Principals, regarding a "Special Class". There are six students in need of special class placement for the next academic year. The Principal reiterated his position that whilst the school would be very willing to accommodate a special class if the infrastructure was in place; presently we simply do not have the facilities to meet the needs of the students in question. Ms Bourke will formally write to the school regarding this.
- 2 **First Year Intake.** There were 450 applicants for 216 places. The Principal informed the Board that there is tremendous pressure for places this year but next year the numbers will begin to slip back. He has started work on the timetable allowing for 240 first year students should the need arise and should the Board be willing to agree to that number. This will be put on the agenda for the next Board meeting, it will need to be decided before the second round offers go out.
- 3 **New Admissions Bill.** Under the new admissions bill, parents must appeal to the Board of Management before taking a section 29 if their child is refused a place in the school. Parents will have 21 days from the 29<sup>th</sup> January to make their appeal.
- 4 **COVID19.** There has been no information to date on the reopening of schools.