

Drumshanbo Vocational School

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Meeting of the Board of Management, September 19th 2016, 5pm **Agreed Report**

Attendance

Mr Francie Gilmartin, Sen Paschal Mooney, Cllr Paddy O'Rourke, Mr Adrian Flood
Mrs Mary Gilmartin, Ms Yvonne Traynor, Mr Martin Fallon (Secretary), Mr Sean
Wynne (Recording Secretary)

Apologies

Mr Enda McGloin, Mr Enda McNamara

Minutes of previous meeting

Read and approved

Matters Arising

School roof repair as applied for under the summer works scheme was turned down
by the DES . Roof repair to go ahead with approval from the ETB.

Correspondence

Letter from BeLonG re workshop in preparation for Stand Up ! Awareness Week.
One member invited to attend

Principal's Report

- Staff generally happy with the Leaving Cert results. Full analysis should be ready for next meeting.
- PLC enrolment : 46
- First year enrolment as expected - 55
- Nine Spanish students this term – some staying for full year and some for the first term. All students say they are happy so far. Students have varying levels of English and come from Madrid and Andalusia. Some of our students making efforts to engage in conversation in Spanish with them.
- The school calendar was reviewed. Some dates cannot be included yet as we have not been given the dates for Junior Cert Inservice closure days.
- Night classes advertised
- Parents Association AGM scheduled for Tuesday 27th September. We are hoping for a good turnout.

Child Protection Report

Pastoral care meeting takes place every Monday

School Planning

Discussion on the new School Plan and priorities for the future including policies that need to be addressed – the needs of the school. Our new extension is now open and this is another milestone reached. Principal gave an outline of the SSE and the current focus on Assessment for Learning. Two teachers have completed the Instructional Leadership course with Barry Bennett organised by the ETBI. Brief discussion on TY and possible timetabling implications if it was introduced. Some parents would have liked TY last year but the majority were not in favour. There are advantages for some students. The PLC Business IT course is very popular with students, having completed the Leaving Cert. The principal said that the Parents Association would have to be consulted for their views and that he would also organise a meeting to discuss with Third Year parents this term.

Next meeting to take place at 5pm on October 24th .

That concluded the business of the meeting.