



SET Ethos sub-committee Meeting

Monday August 21st 2017

6pm -7.30

Agenda

1. Prayer
2. Matters arising
3. Terms of Reference for BOD
4. 'Vision and Outcomes' document
5. School Boards of Management Ethos Induction
6. Course in Faith Educational leadership update
7. New Members - proposals

Attendance;

Gary Abrahamian (Director)

Ronan White (Director)

Ronan Barry (ex officio)

Prayer

Gary led the prayer at the start of the meeting

Matters Arising

Response to document Catholic Education Service Committee(CESE)

Following the June Board of Director's meeting, a response was sent to the CESC. SET office received a written correspondence in August, which was a holding response by CESE. The CESE envisage further consultations on this process sometime in the future.

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Terms of Reference document

After some discussion, it was agreed that the Terms of Reference could go forward to the next Board of Director's meeting for acceptance. Copies will be circulated to the director's before the next meeting.

BoM Induction

The subcommittee discussed the induction process for new school boards of management (4 this year). It was agreed by the subcommittee that Trust induction training is fundamental for new Boards of Management. This aspect of induction should happen within a reasonable period from the start of the new Boards of Management (October 15th). It was agreed that the Ethos committee and SIFM office will return to this topic after further discussion at the Board of Director's meeting and after the Boards of Management are in place.

Values and Outcome documentation

During the last Board of Director's meeting, the Chairperson's report referred to the important role of the Spiritan Identity, Faith and Mission Office in advocating the Ethos of the Spiritan education Office. In response to this position the SIFM office produced an introductory paper on the Spiritan values. Under each value, there are key words follow by key question which relate to the implementation of each value.

The intention of this document is offer a paper that will introduce some of the ethos questions that SET as an organisation may face. The subcommittee also recognised that the new Spiritan Ireland Mission Animation office (SIMA) will have a significant role in offer an induction in this area.

Course in Faith Educational leadership

Ronan updated the subcommittee on the further develops around this initiative. A further meeting was held last week with the Jesuit Education Officer. This was the third meeting in this process. It was agreed that a round of consultation is need now with the incumbent principals in our schools to engage their view and to see what is a way forward. The Ethos committee was in full support of this action.

New Members

After further discussion, three names were nominated by the ethos Subcommittee. There were Mary Mc Mahon (Chaplain in Blackrock), Brian Starken CSSp (Parish Priest in the Spiritan Parish of Bawnogue) and Michael Acheson (Retired teacher from Templeogue). Efforts will be made to contact all three and see about their availability before the September Board of Director's meeting.