



# Board of Management

## Midleton College

February 2016

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The Board of Management held its most recent meeting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2016.

- Before the meeting proper commenced the Board welcomed representatives of the Student Council - Pdraig Power (President), Aoife Dunne (Vice President) and Edward Cloete (Treasurer). The Chairperson, Bishop Colton, gave them an explanation of the role of the Board in the management of the school. He then asked the Student Council to give an overview of their recent activities and also their plans for the future. Edward Cloete commenced by giving a breakdown on funds raised, spent and donated. Aoife Dunne then spoke about initiatives in which the Student Council had involvement in; updating the Common Room, a new school jacket, safety on driveway, new pool table, changes to school lunches and much more. Finally Pdraig updated the Board on changes introduced in the Student Council Election Process to reflect gender balance and continuity, updating of their Constitution and ensuring all eligible students were given the opportunity to register to vote in Election '16. Board members were impressed by the work of the Union and also on the initiatives they had undertaken. The Student Council will forward a copy of its Constitution to the Board to allow them to ratify it at a future meeting.
- The Chairman took a moment to reflect on the recent death of The O'Donovan. The O'Donovan became a Governor of the College in 1987 and gave 18 years of service to the College. Ar dheis dé go raibh a anam.
- Early in February the Board finally had the opportunity to host a dinner to mark the retirement of Mr. Bud Morrissey, former Deputy Principal. The event also marked the retirement of Mr. Ken Brookes, former Governor, Director and Board of Management member. Mr. Morrissey had given 39 years of service to the College while Mr. Brookes had been an active member of the Board for 16 years. The evening was attended by Governors and Board of Management members.
- A formal opening of 'The Arches' in the Dining Hall will take place on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February. Parents/Guardians are invited to a Wine Reception followed by dinner in the Dining Hall. This will give them a change to taste the new menu now in place for students. A voluntary contribution would be appreciated but is not necessary. Parents who book will be issued with 'Meal Vouchers' in advance.

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2016.