College Board

The advisory College Board is appointed and confirmed by Edmund Rice Education Australia. The Board considers a diverse agenda including Strategic Improvement, Annual Plans, Mission and Vision Statement, Annual Budget, Master Plan and Capital Development.

In 1996 a Board was established by the Christian Brothers at the College to have a role in the collaborative governance of the school. Since that time the Board has developed an advisory/consultative model of operation. The Board with the Principal and Edmund Rice Education Australia (EREA) share a tripartite responsibility for the present and future directions of the College.

In late 2007 governance of the College moved from the Province Leadership Team of the Christian Brothers’ St Mary’s Province to a national body called Edmund Rice Education Australia. EREA has responsibility for 40 plus schools across Australia with in excess of 40,000 students (mainly boys) enrolled in these schools. Some twenty percent of boys and young men overall in Catholic Secondary schools in Australia are presently being educated in EREA schools.

The St Pius X College Board consists of no more than twelve members. The Principal is an ex officio member of the Board. After a nomination/selection process, EREA appoints members to the Board, initially for a three year term which is renewable. Ordinarily no member of the Board serves for more than three consecutive terms.

The fundamental aim of the College Board is to assist the Principal to provide an excellent Catholic education in the tradition of Edmund Rice through the promotion of the full spiritual, academic, social, cultural and physical potential of each and every boy.

Annually an information evening is held on the work of the Board. An opportunity is provided for those interested in membership of the Board or one of its Committees to indicate that interest. Prospective and current Board members are involved in an induction and ongoing formation program to assist them to fulfil their responsibilities to the College community.

The Board meets at the College ordinarily monthly during school terms. Board Committees ordinarily meet at regular intervals prior to Board meetings and report to the Board.

The Boards acts in a consultative role within the context of governance and collegially with the Principal and EREA. The management of all aspects of College life is the prerogative of the Principal. In performing its role, the Board works to support the values and achieve the objectives defined in the Charter for Edmund Rice Education in Australia.

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