

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF
TRINITY GRAMMAR SCHOOL HELD AT THE SCHOOL
ON MONDAY 19TH FEBRUARY 2001 AT 6.00 P.M.

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“LEGAL MATTER

The Boarding House allegations were discussed. Staff members Messrs. Heanly, Mayne and Scott were present during the discussions to answer questions and clarify points of concern. The School’s Media Consultant, Mr Anthony McClellan was also in attendance to report on the media strategy adopted by the School.

Following considerable deliberation on this matter it was unanimously resolved that School Council, based on all the information available to it, including interviewing the Head Master and above staff, believes existing procedures were properly followed. The Council expresses its full confidence in the Head Master and Staff in this regard.

The Council is deeply sorry that this incident has occurred. It feels for the victims, their families and those directly involved. It will continue to give every assistance in helping them recover from this ordeal.”

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LEGAL MATTER

The Chairman welcomed the School's solicitor Mr David Ford to the meeting. The Boarding House allegations were discussed and Mr Ford answered questions and clarified points of concern. Mr Ford reported that the School followed the correct course of action in reporting the incident as it did, as this was the requirement under the legislation in force at the time.

It was moved by Dr R. C. Claxton and seconded by Mr P. M. Meldrum that Mr Ford be asked to write seeking a copy of the Statement of Facts tendered in court.
CARRIED.

It was moved by Mr P. M. Meldrum and seconded by Mr R. M. Pegg that Mr Ford be asked to prepare a written statement on the appropriate School response under the new legislation dealing with this matter. CARRIED.

The Chairman moved a vote of thanks for Mr Ford in making himself available to attend the meeting tonight and which was carried by acclamation.

The meeting closed at 10.30 p.m.

