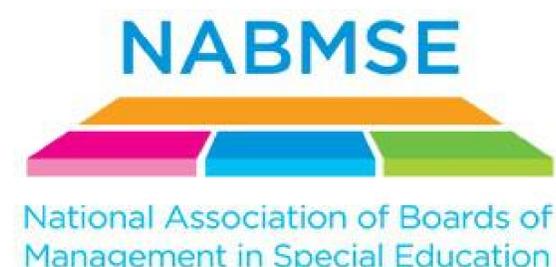


NABMSE NEWSLETTER



Welcome to the second edition of the NABMSE e-newsletter. Please feel free to forward this newsletter to your BoM.

Annual General Meeting 2020



The AGM took place on Thursday, 22 October 2020, and due to current restrictions, was held via Zoom.

Éilis Dillon, Chairperson, outlined the previous year's work and NABMSE's aspirations for the future.

The minutes of the previous year's AGM were presented and approved, as was the Financial Report which was presented by the Treasurer, Patricia Harrington. Voting successfully took place and the Executive Committee for the upcoming year was elected.

Despite being held remotely this year, the AGM was very well attended by our members and very positive feedback was received.

Newly Elected Executive Committee

We would like to welcome our newly elected Executive Committee for the year 2020/2021 and wish them well in the year ahead.

- Greg Browne
- Sr. Marie Carroll
- Maria Corredor
- Niamh Corrigan
- Mary Crawford
- Éilis Dillon
- Margaret Enright
- Ed Graham
- Patricia Harrington
- Bro. Matthew Hayes
- Brídann O'Callaghan
- Caroline Quinn
- Elaine Benson Ryan
- Mark Shinnick

Submission to the Joint Oireachtas Committee - October 2020

After consulting with our members about their concerns, NABMSE made a submission to the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Education on the topic "Ensuring that schools are open in a manner which is both safe and sustainable". To view the full submission go to

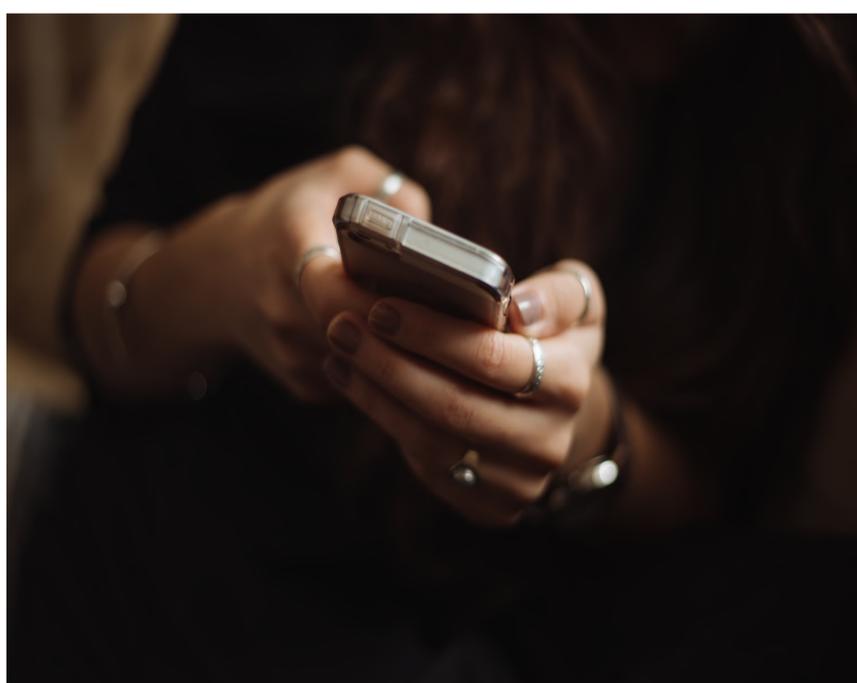
www.nabmse.org/resources/downloads.



Board of Management Training

A series of videos for BoM training is now available on the NABMSE website. They are likely to be more useful for new or less experienced Board Members and Chairpersons.

Additional training will follow in the next couple of months. Due to current restrictions this training will be carried out remotely.



HSE Live Covid-19 Principal School Line

A dedicated phone number 'HSE live Covid-19 Principal school line' (01) 240 8785 is being provided by the HSE. This number is specifically for School Principals. The line will be open 7 days a week, from 8am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday and from 10am to 4.30pm Saturday and Sunday.

The line is for Principals to ring where they need assistance from Public Health. This is in relation to a confirmed case of Covid-19 within their school community, where the Principal has not yet heard from Public Health.

School Secretaries and Caretakers Dispute

A process concerning the regularisation of pay, conditions of employment and pension provision of School Secretaries and Caretakers is going ahead between the DES and Forsa. Bilateral discussions between the parties will take place on an ongoing basis up to February 2021 when all parties will revert to the WRC.



Post Primary Teacher Upskilling

Level 8 programmes to upskill registered post-primary teachers to teach an additional subject at no fee cost to the teacher will begin in January 2021.

The programmes are a Professional Diploma in Mathematics for Teaching, a Professional Diploma for Teaching Physics and a Higher Diploma in Spanish for Teachers. Further information can be found on

www.gov.ie/teachingtransforms.

