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Dear Friends and Colleagues

It is with mixed feelings that I announce that after three years of outstanding leadership as the EREA Regional Director for the Central Western Region and over thirty eight years of distinguished service in Catholic education, Mr Shaun Kenny has indicated his intention to retire from the end of the current year.

Shaun has had a distinguished career in EREA and the wider Catholic education community. Prior to his recent role as Regional Director, Shaun was the Principal of CBC Fremantle from 2011-2017 and Deputy Principal of Trinity College for six years prior to this. He was also the Acting Principal at Trinity College in 2018 and had prior Deputy Principal positions at Chisholm College and St Norbert College. Throughout these leadership positions Shaun displayed extraordinary innovation, a deep faith and honesty and a powerful common-sense attitude, all mixed with a great sense of humour.

As Regional Director, Shaun is a trusted mentor and colleague to our senior leaders in the Central Western Region and is highly regarded both in the Catholic education network and the wider educational community. His leadership at CBC Fremantle saw the college become the school of choice for families in the Fremantle area. Shaun's passion and understanding of boys' education saw him initiate the concept of the *CBC Journey*, which continues today, forming today's boys into the gentlemen of tomorrow.

Shaun was also one of the founding members of Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders and was part of the original planning of the idea of EREBB at the inaugural gathering in Nairobi, Kenya, in 2014. Since that time, he has actively promoted and nurtured global links of solidarity that have been of great benefit to our students in Australia and our colleagues from across the world.

Shaun shares about his time with Edmund Rice Education Australia:

I consider that I have had a very fortunate and enjoyable working life. Among the many highlights, the opportunities which have been afforded by my membership of EREA stand out. The meeting in Nairobi and the conception of EREBB, the Principals' gatherings in South Africa and India, and the associated immersions stand out as experiences I could never have anticipated and for which I will always be grateful. I am indebted to the many people over my journey who have shown confidence in me and I look forward to continuing many of the friendships I have formed. I am retiring to spend more time at home, with grandchildren and at the races – not necessarily in that order.

On behalf of all members of the Edmund Rice Education Australia community, I warmly congratulate Shaun on his outstanding contribution to Catholic education and wish him, Marion and their family, all the very best as they move into the next phase of their journey together.

We look forward to an opportunity to thank and farewell Shaun later in the year.

With my best wishes

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