

Minutes of the Waimauku School Board of Trustees Meeting Wednesday 15 February 2023

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Welcome

The meeting opened at 6pm.

Present

Gary Pasfield, Craig Harrison, Nigel Perkins, Hayley Plowman, Thomas Nehemia, Angela Searle,

Apologies

Ben Wetini, Skaya Hudson

Cyclone Update From Gary

The Board met to discuss Cyclone Gabriel which struck the North Island on 13/14 February.

- The Ministry of Education recommended the closure of Auckland schools on 13/14 February due to the severity of storm predictions
- The cyclone caused damage to the school, which included severe flooding of the field and pavilion, multiple trees down, ripped shade cover by the pool, broken fencing along the creek and wet carpet in the office
- School was closed from 13-15 February

Gary thanked staff for coming in on 15 February to clean up the school, there was a lot of debris to clean up and the turn out was fantastic, allowing school to resume on 16 February.

The flood water covered the bore bump so the water supply had to be considered as contaminated until confirmed otherwise. The water was turned off and testing ordered, with a water tanker hooked up to the pump house. The stored tank water was disposed of. Gary thanked Luke Nabarro of Alpha Electrical for helping get this solution up and running so quickly.



A large number of students and staff have been affected by the landslip at Muriwai and flooding around the area. Some staff will be absent from school until Monday 20 February.

Some families may not return to school for a while and some may leave the area permanently. The Ministry may assist with funding for parents who are displaced and needing to travel long distances each day to get their children to school.

A staff meeting will be held before school tomorrow to discuss impact on the children and strategies for teachers.

Chairperson's Signature:	Date:



Action Point Register

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