



Waimauku School

Minutes of the Waimauku School Board of Trustees Meeting Wednesday 30 October 2024

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Welcome

The meeting opened at 6:00 pm

Present

Gary Pasfield, Hayley Plowman, Skaya Hudson, Ben Wetini, Nigel Perkins, Thomas Nehemia, Angela Searle

Apologies

Craig Harrison

Approval of Previous BOT Minutes

Motion: Gary/Skaya
Passed

Correspondence

Inwards

24 October 2024 Hayley Plowman Resignation as Presiding Member

Financial Report

The Finance and Audit Subcommittee met to review in detail all the financial statements and operational reports. Nigel noted that the school is in a strong cash position with good liquidity.

The Board discussed 2025 school donations, reviewing factors such as the schools' strong financial position and the cost of living crisis.

Motion: "That the suggested school donation amount remain at \$290 for 2025"
Haley/Nigel
Passed

Monthly Reports

The financial summary reports as issued earlier were presented and taken as read.

Motion: "That the monthly management accounts for September be accepted"
Skaya/Ben
Passed

Principal's Report

The Principal's Report as issued earlier was presented and taken as read.

The Board discussed the increase in absenteeism in general and particularly in the first two weeks of the term. Gary noted that, at Waimauku School, staff know where students are when they are absent, even when it is unjustified and that it is difficult to shift statistics when they involve parental choice.

The Board discussed the school class structure for 2025, noting the move to match classes with the new MOE phases (Year 1-3, Year 4-6 and Year 7-8). Gary noted that the structure was reviewed carefully at the recent Team Leader planning day. Skaya reported that there is positive teacher response to the change, particularly due to the reduced breadth of teaching range.

The Board discussed the results from the BSLA programme, noting excellent movement in the Tier 2 students. The Board thanked Erin Purchase for her continued work on this programme.

The Board reviewed suggested dates for the Teacher Only Days in 2025 which will be used to implement the new mathematics and literacy curriculum.

Motion: *"That Teacher Only Days be approved for 7 February and 7 March 2025"*

Hayley/Ben

Passed

PTA Report

Gary briefed the Board on Ag Day, noting that it was a great success both financially and as a community event. The Board thanked the PTA for the huge amount of work undertaken to make this event happen. The PTA is now focusing on the end of year graduation social.

Property

The Board discussed preliminary quotes for the storage facility on the back of the hall and gave the go ahead for more detailed quotes to be obtained. **Action: Gary**

General Business

The Board inspected the new kapa haka uniform and thanked Nicky Osmond for applying for the funding grant and Melo Newton for organising such beautiful new outfits for the roopu.

Board Membership

Hayley Plowman tendered her official resignation as Waimauku School Board of Trustees Presiding Member, effective 16 December 2024. The Board thanked Hayley for her leadership and commitment, and for the generosity the Plowman whānau has shown Waimauku School over past years.

Ben Wetini tendered his official resignation from the Board effective 16 December 2024, as his family is moving to Tauranga. The Board thanked Ben for his service as a Board member and thanked both Ben and Lauren for their much valued contribution across the school in kapa haka, band and all things whānau Māori.

Election of Officers

Gary called for nominations for acting Presiding Member.

Motion: *"That Nigel Perkins be appointed Acting Presiding Member, effective 17 December 2024"*

Skaya/Hayley

Passed

In Committee

7:35pm

Motion: *"That the Board move to In Committee"*

Ben/Skaya

Passed

7:45pm

Motion: *"That the Board move to the normal meeting"*

Ben/Skaya

Passed

Meeting Closed: 7:52pm

Dates of Future Meetings:

Full Board Meeting: Wednesday 4 December at 6pm

Presiding Member's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Action Point Register

| Action | Date | Member Responsible | Completed |
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| Detailed quote for larger store room | 30/10/24 | Gary | |
| Arrange Curriculum Leaders to report in regularly with status updates, direction and goals. | 12/06/24 | Gary | |