

Minutes of the Waimauku School Board of Trustees Meeting Wednesday 14 February 2024

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Welcome

The meeting opened at 6pm. The Board acknowledged the one year anniversary of Cyclone Gabrielle and shared a karakia for our community.

Present

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

Approval of Previous BOT Minutes

Motion:

"That the previous minutes be approved as a true and correct record." Gary/Nigel Passed

Matters Arising

The Board discussed the planned staff kitchen remodel, Gary noted that he had asked staff for ideas/feedback and would meet with Rhys Mellor from LoveKItchens on 19 February to pull together some initial ideas.

ΡΤΑ

Gary noted that the first PTA meeting of the year was held on 12 February and he was happy to report a number of new parents in attendance. The PTA is in planning mode for Golf Day, organising donations, sponsorship and prizes. Gary informed the Board that the PTA approved the purchase of the new playground equipment at a cost of \$71,437 excl. GST. Playco to install the pieces as and when they are ready. The PTA AGM will be held on 11 March at 6:30pm.

Principal's Report

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

Gary advised that since the report was written the MoE have contacted the school to notify the intended removal of the Portacom classes 29 and 30 once the new build is complete. The Board discussed the implications of this possibility and Gary advised that he will be strenuously appealing this decision. Gary briefed the Board on upcoming events:

- Art Exhibition in the hall in term 2 to celebrate having the hall back
- Junior Concert at the end of Term 3

The Board discussed the 2023 data from the Kiva survey and Skaya provided teacher perspective on classroom implementation and progress.

Whānau Report

Thomas and Ben agreed to push ahead with plans for the whare ako with Cody Hutchison, involving directional feedback from the whanau group and with a plan to open with a hangi in Matariki Week.

Staff Report

Skaya noted a good start to the year with an excellent turnout at the goal setting meetings. Staff are now using the latest governmental EOTC forms which are much more comprehensive than previous versions, requiring much mahi from the staff. Skaya thanked Josie Taylor for all the work done around the EOTC changes and the support given to staff.

Skaya noted that staff are looking forward to moving classrooms but queried the latest dates for the move as they coincide with the parent teacher interviews, Gary to review. **Action:Gary**

Financial Report

The Finance and Audit Subcommittee met to review in detail all the financial statements and operational reports.

Nigel briefed the Board on the solar power feasibility work, noting that the 1-3 block is not suitable, the new build unlikely to be suitable but the hall is a possibility.

Monthly Reports

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

Motion: "That the monthly management accounts for the year to 31 December 2023 be accepted" Skaya/Ben Passed

2024 Budget

The Board reviewed the budget, and discussed the capital expenditure. Nigel noted the following points:

- Part of the monorail matting was removed during the new build and Teak are obligated to put it right at completion, however the remaining matting is now not up to code. The school may need to contribute from the cap ex budget.
- The electricity budget is substantially increased this year due to the upgraded transformer and increased rates.

Motion: "That the 2024 budget with a forecast deficit of \$33,657 be approved" Hayley/Skaya Passed

General Business

AIMS Games

Nigel made a proposal that a small working group of Board and staff members meet to review the schools AIMS Games framework and look at ways to support staff who are involved in AIMS and spread workloads. Gary agreed to set up a group discussion in mid March. **Action: Gary**

In Committee

8:09pm Motion: "That the Board move to In Committee" Ben/Skaya Passed

8:10pm Motion: "That the Board move to the normal meeting" Nigel/Skaya Passed

Meeting Closed: 8:10pm

Dates of Future Meetings:

Full Board Meeting: Wednesday 20 March at 6pm

| Presiding Member's Signature | | Date: |
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Action Point Register

| Action | | Date | Member Responsibl e | Completed |
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| | Proposal and quote for staff kitchen remodel | 29/11/23 | Gary | |