

MINUTES OF THE PILLANS POINT SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12 AUGUST 2015

PRESENT: Jason Benton, Matt Simeon, Theresa Rosborough, Carol Spooner (Minutes Secretary), Michael Attwood (arrived 7.18pm), Vanessa Hamm, Blair Myles, Cherie Horne, Paul Stott (arrived 6.00pm), Mel Katu (left 6.45pm), Paul Read (arrived 7.15pm)

Vanessa took the chair in Michael's absence

Apologies: Michael Attwood, Paul Stott, Paul Read - late arrivals

Open Meeting, welcome. Time: 5.30pm
Board members had a site walk for school building.

Resolved: that the Minutes of the Meeting held 10 June 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Myles/Katu

Carried

Correspondence:

Resolved: that the Inwards Correspondence for August is received and the Outward Correspondence is accepted.

Hamm/Simeon

Carried

Mid-year Student Achievement Report for Reading taken as read.
Theresa spoke briefly to the meeting about the running records as a formative assessment.
Results are pleasing.
Matt spoke of transition of PPS children to Otumoetai Intermediate in terms of reading ability.

Staff Rep Report:

Nil

Principals Report:

Matt spoke to his report.

The Mark Osborne (MLE) evening well received by parents who attended.

A lot of positive feedback on how the Modern Learning Environment is working at PPS.



Community Survey

Completed by 147 people

1. Concerns around building process, playgrounds.
2. BOT profile and selection process of mid term representatives.
3. Need to promote better understanding of school vision.
4. Need for smaller class sizes, extension groups, more teacher aides.
5. A preference for homework worksheets on a weekly basis.
6. Reporting and Interviews indicated 50/50 having child present at interviews. A focus required for teachers to be up front and honest with parents as to how their child is progressing and achieving and discussing options needed if required.
7. Spaces within the school to support non school services ie music, tutors etc.

Communication to parents - letter to go home summarising survey results and thanking parents for completing the survey, and will include pie graphs data.

Playground - existing one needs to make way for new build. Therefore new junior and senior playgrounds required.

Discussion had around fundraising for playgrounds. PTA funds, Board funds, Grants.

Further discussion on placement of new playgrounds.

The board agree to a senior playground, costs of around \$75000 to be constructed in the dog leg. Matt will obtain quotes.

Boys Class 2015 and Beyond

Discussion had on success of boys class and should it become a regular class within the school. A number of factors to be considered.

The decision will need to be based on what is the best for the school.

Board to give this some consideration and further discussion to be had before a decision is made.

Staffing

Very little turn over expected.

Roll growth teacher Linda Shaw, appointed to KLC 2 with Ange Parkes moving to KLC 5 to take the new entrants.

Term 3 teacher appraisals to begin week 5.

Staff survey results to be emailed to board.

Korea/China Trip

Petty cash for Matt at \$100 per day approved.



Financial Report:

Blair spoke to finances

Discussion had on budgets

Blair moved that the payments be accepted

Resolved: that the cheques for June of \$129,831.22 be accepted.

Resolved: that the cheques for July of \$100,854.24 be accepted.

Attwood/ Simeon

Carried

Capital Works Project Payments

Resolved: that the payments for June of \$130,768.57 be accepted.

Resolved: that the payments for July of \$198.38 be accepted.

Attwood/ Simeon

Carried

Property - Building update

Sub committee met during school holidays.

Matt handed out concept designs completed today.

Jason gave some timeframes and a start of rebuild to hopefully commence around February/March 2016.

Vanessa mentioned that the survey brought up the fact that parents consider the build area to be an eyesore and some discussion had as to what could be done to improve the area ie remove fences, level ground and make the area user friendly to children or make it a large sandpit area.

The Board adopt the Concept plan.

Hometime

Discussion had on letter received from Hometime Manager Marie Nott who has requested that her lease payments be reduced as Hometime has been moved from the hall into the hub with fewer facilities and less space.

The board is willing to consider her proposal upon substantiated costings from her.

IES (Investing in Educational Success)

Matt gave an overview on the scheme and where discussions are at. Changes have been made to the IES policy which could be more beneficial to schools.



Meeting closed 9.00pm



Close of Meeting Points
Chairperson closing remarks
Action Points
Preparation for next meeting
Close pm
Next Meeting - 9 September 2015

Chairperson:

Date:

