

MINUTES OF THE PILLANS POINT SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2016

Present: Michael Attwood, Jason Benton, Matt Simeon, Carol Spooner (Minutes Secretary), Theresa Rosborough, Paul Stott, Christine Shearer, Scott Hamilton, Jess Holtom, Simon Potter, Sarah Parker left 7.05pm, Marion Kirby left 7.05pm, Jo Brown left 7.05pm

Meeting start time 5.30pm

Matt took board members on a site tour and pointed out areas of future development.

Apologies: Luke Stewart

Conflicts of Interest

Matt Simeon and Lee Simeon - staff at Pillans Point School

Mike Stott and Paul Stott - Mike an employee of Lysaght involved in new build.

Christine Shearer - staff board rep Mike Winstanley Estimator for Watts and Hughes

Scott Hamilton whose company board chair is on NZCT Board.

Master Planning follow up

Michael, Matt and Jason met with Ministry of Education representatives to discuss future planning. Recommendation to go for entire reconstruction - \$15 to 20 million

5 Stages of rebuild over five years. 1. new 8 class block - underway. 2. playground relocation and new carpark. 3. New hall construction on existing carpark. 4. Current hall to admin/staffroom area. 5. New 11 classroom block.

Timeframe over 5+ years.

Discussion had on this proposal.

Resolved: that the Minutes of the Meeting 24 August 2016 be confirmed as a true and correct record

Attwood/Stott

Carried

Correspondence:

Jess Holtom spoke to the correspondence.



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

Attwood/Simeon

Carried

Finances

Paul spoke to finances

Paul met with Matt Tuesday to review finances.

\$106000 surplus cash at end of year. Discussion about whether this is a suitable amount for should it be less with excess spent.

Paul moved that payments for August 2016 be approved.

Resolved that the cheques for \$120712.78 for August be accepted.

Stott/Attwood

Carried

Property

Resolved that cheques for \$137,112.70 for August be accepted

Stott/Attwood

Carried

Reports

Matt introduced the eLearning team of Sarah, Marion and Jo who presented to the board what the eLearning team are responsible for in the school and how they convey their teaching.

Board members invited to participate in a game of Kahoot - an example of a game made and played by children in the classrooms. The teacher among was the winner!!

Marion spoke to the board about how eLearning is managed in the school and it is their job to keep ahead of new things available, test and trial then support other staff in the use of.

Jono Hayes is contracted for technical support.

Sarah explained why eLearning is an essential part of a teaching programme - to prepare children for the wider world.

Jo spoke about the recent use of Seesaw by Kiwi team and the phonics and learning programmes they use (Letterland, Doodle Buddy).



Tui Team use Seesaw and use iPads for collaborative learning. Also now using Chromebooks.

Fantail Team - all children have google student accounts where they do and store their work. (Google Classroom).

Sarah explained how the Moa team utilise the apps available to them.

Principals Report

Gobsmacked - a performing arts group who write and produce their shows in schools.

PPS would require 2 productions - junior and senior. Lead team are very keen for this to happen in 2017. Possibly on a biannual cycle.

A budget of approx \$10000 required.

Discussion had about how this could work within the school and how it could impact on other areas of learning.

Matt has requested support from the board for this to go ahead.

The board agree for Matt to pursue this further.

Boys class - discussion around benefits.

The board are in favour of a boys class continuing.

Proposed extra yr 5/6 classroom set up in the library. Library will go into rms 11 and 12.

Discussion - board agree reluctantly that this needs to be done to keep the Moa team together.

Homework - debate had on the benefits of giving homework - work ethic, habit, tradition etc

Important for the parent to know what their children are learning at school so they can engage with their children at home at the correct level.

Agreed that a framework can be worked on and set at strategic planning for parents to use as they see fit.

Staffing - Marion has requested to work .8. Four days per week with Friday off. A suggestion is that .8 employment be given to only 3 staff at one time and for a given time only i.e one year.

Discussion had about the managing of employment terms.

Suggestion made that 4 days be granted but with flexibility for the 5th day.



Job applications close Monday 19th. They continue to come in.

Community of Learning - Matt explained the Community of Learning structure and how it will potentially work within the Cluster group.

International

Matt had a very successful trip with 17 Korean students for 2017. Also a probability of 1 Chinese student and 1 Thai student.

A view at developing Chinese market.

Further Chinese group tours to Pillans to go ahead.

Michael asked for interest in Deputy Chair. Scott Hamilton agreed to take on this role.

Meeting closed 9.20pm

Close of Meeting Points

Chairperson closing remarks

Action Points

Preparation for next meeting

Close pm

Next Meeting - 2 November 2016

Chairperson:

Date:

