



THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD

on Monday 20 May 2024 in the Boardroom Te Koropiko West Spreydon School

Present: – Marriene Langton – Principal, Miriam Marshall – Chair, Abbey Parsons, Marina Shehata – Deputy Principal, Andy Dumbleton, Julia Mallet, Jodi Apiata, Shailesh Singh

In attendance for minute taking: Linda Parsons

1. **The meeting opened with a Karakia**
2. **Whakawhanaungatanga:** Members shared their reflections of family time, family occasions and glimpses of the future.
3. **Strategic planning discussions:** topics included –
 - Ensuring the policies reflect Tikanga Maori, Matauranga Māori and Te Ao Māori – not just the policy talk but how we walk it
 - High Expectations for all students and staff
 - Attachment Theory – no judgement – sticking to our beliefs – Fidelity
 - What are our beliefs and expectations in respect to Manaakitanga
 - Taking a global point of view

Next steps –

- On going discussions at Board meetings
- Visting with Lynette from Rapaki Marae
- Creating opportunities moving forward as we unpack situations and issues as they arise.
- Working with understanding and ownership of our Mihi work
- Consider a workshop with Whaea Lou and Whaea Nessa
- Ensuring that the curriculum reflects local tikanga, maturanga and te ao maori
- Cognition work within the Kahukura Cluster
- 3 year project (data base with evidence – Russell Bishop)

This work will continue to be updated as the year progresses.

4. **Minutes of the meeting** dated 25 March had been circulated online.

Moved: Abbey Parsons
Matters Arising – nil

Seconded: Julia Mallett

5. **In-Committee minutes:** were circulated at the meeting and accepted

Moved: Marina Shehata

Seconded: Jodi Apiata

6. **Communication:**

- Letter from Brent Langford – Learning Rich. This letter of support for Marriene highlighted an excellent overview of the school data and his summary of the success in achievement and relationships. This data document will be circulated via newsletter, school loop and seesaw, as a full page document. Copy to also be sent to Duane (past Board chair) to show the success of his legacy.

To Do: Miriam to send acknowledgement of Board to the staff to acknowledge and congratulate them on their work

7. **Principal's Report:** The principal's report had been circulated in pre reading

Moved: Marina Shehata

Seconded: Miriam Marshall

Approved

Discussion points:

- Confirmation of attendance at the Neufeld Conference for Principals

8. **Financial report:** had been circulated in pre reading

Discussion points:

- 30% budget used
- Some expected expenditure – Heat pump, ceiling panels, Doors, Fencing, Electrician for window and some air conditioning repairs
- Staff – all okay but awaiting some teaching allowances for beginning teacher

Moved: Marriene Langton

Seconded: Jodi Apiata

9. **Policy reviews:** Abbey Parsons has completed Term 1 review. Andy Dumbleton and Jodi Apiata will review the following policies during Term 2 – Employers Responsibility, Approval Procedures and Classroom Relief Time. Term 3 – Miriam Marshall and Julia Mallett will review polices – to be advised.

10. **General Business:**

- Discussion on changes to literacy programs – ie Better Start and the new options BSLA

11. Property

- Discussion on issue with roof panels – WOF /Costs – information due soon. Board noted how dangerous this is for staff at the school. COntrollers have ensured school it is fixed now.

12. Health and Safety: Report had been circulated in pre reading

Discussion on Attendance issues – continues to be an issue with some whole families affected.

Moved: Marina Shehata

Seconded: Shailesh Singh

13. In Committee discussions:

Miriam Marshall moved -that the meeting moved into public excluded session at 6.22pm for reasons of legal and professional privilege and to protect the privacy of natural persons.

The meeting was resumed at 6.38pm

Next meeting Monday , 24 June 4.30pm school boardroom

Approved: mmarshall Date: 24/6/24

Chairperson

