

Minutes of the Meeting of Tauranga Boys' College Board of Trustees Monday 24th May 2021 - 4.30pm Boardroom

Present:

Mr Richard Craven (Chair), Mrs Nikki Iuli (Deputy Chair), Mr Rob Warner (Staff

Rep), Robert Mangan (Principal), Johnlees Faulkner (Student Rep), Stan Urwin

(Trustee), Simon Oldham (Trustee), Amanda Gilbertson (Trustee).

Apologies:

Nil

In Attendance: Mrs Janine Goldthorpe (Board Secretary)

Conflict of Interest Register

- Board members were asked to update any Conflicts of Interest that they may have whilst a school trustee.
- Nil received.

Overview of Kāhui Ako Progress Aspirations

Mrs Michelle Ormsby, Kāhui Ako Across School Leader, presented an overview of the Kāhui Ako progress aspirations, giving a hands-on view of what is happening across Kāhui Ako and how it impacts Tauranga Boys' College. The Board thanked Mrs Ormsby and the team of Within School Teachers for their ongoing efforts in this initiative.

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

(Motion No: 1) RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 29th March 2021 be accepted as a true and correct record of that meeting.

> Moved: Craven Seconded: Gilbertson

Matters Arising:

Sport BOP Lease

Instructions have been sent to the College solicitor asking for assistance to update the Sport BOP lease.

2. Correspondence Inwards

- Letter to the Board from Tauranga Opera Forum requesting permission to sell alcohol to patrons whilst using the Graham Young Youth Theatre.
- Letter from Kristy Davison requesting maternity leave from 23 August 2021 to 17 October 2022.

(Motion No: 2) RESOLVED that the Board ratify and endorse the request for Tauranga Opera

Forum to apply for a liquor licence.

(Motion No: 3) **RESOLVED** that the Board ratify and endorse the maternity leave application received from Ms Davison.

Moved: Craven Seconded: Urwin Carried

All other correspondence received by the board was tabled.

(Motion No: 4) **RESOLVED** that the Inwards correspondence be received and the Outwards Correspondence be endorsed.

Moved: Craven Seconded: Gilbertson Carried

- 3. Principal's Report
- Mr Mangan spoke to his report which was circulated prior to the meeting.

Roll

Pressure on the roll continues with a number of enquiries for new students to enrol at the College. Our reputation and roll numbers remain strong. Of note, is a proposed change to the priority categories for school enrolment schemes. This subject has been quite topical in the media and a link to a survey is attached here Proposed changes to-the-priority-categories-for-sc/. I welcome Board members to complete the survey if they wish.

Annual Planning

With the signing of the 2020 Financial Report, completion of my Annual Report for 2020 and our Strategic Planning for 2021-2023, we have completed our legal requirements of reporting to the Ministry of Education.

<u>Academic</u>

You may have seen the news interview on TVNZ recently with our students Benjamin Adams and Logan Green who have both been awarded Scholarships to study at Cambridge University in the UK.

Health and Safety

The minutes of the Health & Safety Committee meeting held on 13th April are attached. At this time, there are no significant incidents to report to the Board.

Flu vaccinations have been offered to all staff.

Caregiver / Teacher Conferences

On Thursday 13th May, Caregivers were able to engage in face to face meetings with their son's subject teachers. These meetings were well received and well supported with a positive atmosphere across the evening. On Wednesday 19th May, Caregivers were able to make appointments via Google Meet and then meet in an online environment with their son's subject teachers. These Google Meets again proved popular and provide convenience to parents who can engage in these meetings with teachers from either their workplace or from home.

Generally the student playground is settled and student learning continues without disruption. Of note, has been the shortening of the school day due to the Caregiver interviews, also Workday held on Friday 14th May and the Ministry of Education Teacher Only Day held on Tuesday 18th May.

Old Boys

I had the pleasure of attending the 75th Jubilee of the Tauranga College / Tauranga District High School at the Citizens Club on Sunday 16th May. 240 past pupils of the college(s), which existed from 1945 through to 1957, were in attendance with the majority aged between 76 years old and 92 years old. I updated those in attendance on the current status of the college with Old Boy and Politician, Todd Muller being the guest speaker. It was a very enthusiastic group of senior citizens who enjoyed the camaraderie and opportunity to get a perspective on the current achievements of the college.

Culture - Ahurea

On day one of Term 2 we unveiled the Tukutuku panels in Aronui. My thanks to weavers Hiriwa Curnow and Bernadette Egan for their significant contribution to our Whare. I propose to hold the next Board meeting in Aronui and give Jo'el Komene, our Director of Aronui the opportunity to explain the background behind the Tukutuku panels.

External Professional Learning undertaken April - May 2021

April

- Marc Lambert Workshop, Teaching motivation to the unmotivated student, Tauranga
- Rhian Elmes Van Gogh Exhibition and Toi Tu Contemporary Maori Arts Exhibition, Auckland

May

 Andrew Corney - SCT Regional Cluster meeting / Raranga Matihiko Integrated Curriculum / Marau Pāhekoheko Programme, Tauranga

Teacher Only Day

A Ministry of Education (MOE) NCEA Planning Day was held on Tuesday 18th May. This day was determined by the MOE and material in regard to the review of NCEA and the implementation of new changes was provided. This was modified to suit Tauranga Boys' College by Rob Gilbert who did an excellent job in synthesising the material provided.

We started the day with a workshop presentation by Dr Kirsty Farrant of the PPTA Rainbow Taskforce. The focus of the presentation from Kirsty and our intent was that we were accepting of diversity and inclusiveness of all the students that we have here at Tauranga Boys' College. My view was that this was received well by staff but also raises some questions about our College and the nature of our identity as a school for boys.

Principals Professional Learning

I attended a BOP Principals Association (BOPPA) meeting on Friday 14th May, gaining an opportunity to hear about the latest from the Teachers Council. There was also discussion around the changes to the ERO review process which means there will be more of a supportive process as opposed to an evaluation process as previously experienced. Recently Mr Ian Stuart attended a Super 8 meeting and the ABSNZ Conference in Auckland on my behalf as my sister Jane was in a deteriorating state in the final stages of cancer.

<u>Personnel</u>

Nathan Fry and Rhian Elmes both started this term in the position of Assistant Principal and both have made strong starts to their positions, embracing the challenges of their portfolio. We have made two new appointments to the staff from the start of Term 2 - Kelsen Simonsen, came from St Patricks in Wellington and has settled in well to the English department. Kelsen replaces Win Jones who has retired and also accommodates Nathan Fry's reduced timetable allocation. Alex Broome has started in the Social Studies department, replacing Tom Atkins who has headed back overseas. I have withdrawn an offer of employment to Roha Dalton-Reedy as we became aware that he had not completed his teaching qualifications and had not been transparent about his degree of training. Mitch Zandstra has been employed to take over Roha's classes.

HR Issue

The Board Chair, Mr Rob Gilbert and myself were involved in mediation on Thursday 29th April and an email regarding the outcome has been sent to all Board members. We now await a response from the Teachers Council in regard to the mandatory reporting that was filed.

<u>Finance</u>

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5th May 2021 is attached.

Audited and Signed Annual Accounts

(Motion No: 5) **RESOLVED** that the audited Financial Accounts and Audit Completion Report for the year ended 31st December 2020 be accepted.

Moved: Craven Seconded: Gilbertson Carried

International Students

We welcomed one International student last week from Germany; this is a great outcome given the current climate. The student's mother has gained employment as a doctor based in Christchurch and the family have been through the MIQ system, enabling both to access NZ. This is recognition of Annette Roff's significant issues to continue to market the college despite the challenges that we face.

Property

The minutes of the meeting held on 20th May are **attached**. Of particular note and good news is the \$150,000 grant we received from TECT towards our covered cricket wicket. This means we can now move forward with this proposal in partnership with Titans.

Co-curricular

Winter sport is up and running. I acknowledge the success of a couple of 1st teams recently with our 1st XV beating Dilworth 30-19 and our first XI defeating St Paul's Collegiate 9 - 0.

4. Sub-Committee Reports

Titans Sport Council Trust

The minutes of the meeting held 4th May 2021 were taken as read.

Charitable Trusts Committee

Minutes of the Charitable Trusts Committee meeting held 11th May 2021 were taken as read.

(Motion No: 6) **RESOLVED** that the Charitable Trusts Committee submit an application to the Lions Foundation for funds for the new Multisport Facility.

Arts Council

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday 28th May 2021

Staff Representative

The Teacher Only Days held this year will concentrate on changes to NCEA. NZ History will be added to the all school curriculums from next year at Junior level.

The Board asked if the staff felt that enough was being done for their wellbeing? Rob Warner commented that the staff feel well supported.

Student Representative

The Homework Hub is going well with a lot of boys benefitting from the Hub. This Hub is available to all students, not only Māori or Pasifika.

General Business

Nil.

Meeting concluded at 6.19pm

Next Meeting: Monday 28th June 2021

Chairperson: