

Minutes of the Meeting of Tauranga Boys' College Board of Trustees Monday 28th June 2021 - 4.30pm Te Whānau a Aronui

Present:

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

Rep), Robert Mangan (Principal), Johnlees Faulkner (Student Rep), Simon Oldham

(Trustee), Amanda Gilbertson (Trustee).

Apologies:

Mr Stan Urwin (Trustee)

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.

Welcome to Aronui

Matua Jo'el Komene, Kaitohu Aronui / Director of Aronui, welcomed the Board to Te Whānau a Aronui.

Aronui is the name placed on the whare wananga (house of learning) at Tauranga Boys' College and is the name of one of the three baskets of knowledge. This basket consists of knowledge of aroha (love), rongomau (peace) and ngā mahi toi (the arts and crafts) which benefit Papatūānuku (the Earth and all living things). It is also the basket of tikanga/kawa (ritual), korero (philosophy) and te ira tangata (humanities).

Te reo Māori, tikanga (customs and traditions) and whanaungatanga (camaraderie) are intrinsic to the philosophies of Aronui.

Matua Komene explained the history behind Aronui, the carvings and panels outside and inside the whare including the newly blessed Tukutuku panels.

Review of Academic Achievement 2020

Mr Rob Gilbert presented the finalised academic results for 2020 to the Board for approval. Once endorsed, these results will be posted on the college website.

The Board expressed their thanks to Mr Gilbert for the amount of work involved in putting together the 2020 Senior Academic Report and wished to thank all staff involved.

The Board has approved an end of term morning tea shout to all staff as a show of appreciation.

Review of Streaming at Tauranga Boys' College

For the last 18 months Leyton Watson, Deputy Principal, Junior School has undertaken a timely review of the current structure of Streaming and its effect on students and student achievement across NZ and the World. Leyton presented to the Board a summary and findings of the consultation undertaken and staff and presented the proposal of the college leadership team as to how class placement should be structured in 2022.

http://www.maorifutures.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/TTR Streaming Document.pdf
Articles and research for and against the streaming/banding of students.

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

(Motion No: 1) **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 24th May 2021 be accepted as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Moved: Craven Seconded: Gilbertson

Matters Arising:

Sport BOP Lease

A change in legislation in 2020 means that third party occupancy agreements need to be drawn up and approved through the MOE. Therefore, as per Ministry of Education guidelines, a request to update the current Sport BOP Lease has been sent to the MOE.

2. Correspondence Inwards

Letter of resignation from Nina Montalto, effective 26 May 2021.

(Motion No: 2) RESOLVED that the Board ratify and endorse the resignation received.

Moved: Craven Seconded: Oldham Carried

- Application for 2022 Secondary Teachers' Study Award received from Sharon Barrett to complete a Masters of Education.
- Application for 2022 Secondary Teachers' Study Award received from Bonnie Picot to complete a Masters of Counselling.
- Letter of application from Neil Howard for Secondary Senior Manager's Sabbatical, Term 4 2022.

(Motion No: 3) **RESOLVED** that the Board ratify and endorse the Study Award applications received from Ms Barrett and Ms Picot and the Sabbatical Leave application from Mr Howard.

Moved: Craven Seconded: Iuli Carried

3. Correspondence Outwards

(Motion No: 4) **RESOLVED** that on behalf of the Board, the Principal writes to weavers, Hiriwa Curnow and Bernadette Egan to thank them for their input into the Aronui Tukutuku panels.

Moved: Craven Seconded: Gilbertson

Carried

(Motion No: 5) **RESOLVED** that the Inwards correspondence be received and the Outwards correspondence be endorsed.

Moved: Craven Seconded: Gilbertson Carried

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4. Principal's Report

Mr Mangan spoke to his report which was circulated prior to the meeting.

Roll

Roll numbers remain strong with minimal change since the start of the year. We budgeted for 2000 students as the overall roll across the year so at this stage our numbers are well up on the total number of students budgeted for.

Enrolment Process 2022

This will begin at the start of Term 3 with dates of specific activities detailed below:

- Out of zone enrolments open on 26th July 2021
- Out of zone applications close on 6th September 2021
- Open Evening 18th August 2021
- Orientation Morning 25th November 2021

Leyton Watson will lead this process, visiting contributing schools supported by Andrew Fredrickson.

Planning and Reporting

I have a meeting on Thursday afternoon with local Principals to hear a presentation on the structure and organisation of the Educational Support Agency.

https://www.education.govt.nz/assets/Future-education-/Decision-Summary-A3-Establishing-Te-Mahau-within-Te-Tahuhu-o-te-Matauranga.pdf

This Agency was proposed under the review of Tomorrow's Schools and legislated changes made in 2020. I will update the Board as I receive information in due course.

Health and Safety

No meeting held since the last Board meeting and no serious incidents to report. A breakdown of staff and student H & S incidents is **attached**.

Student Learning - Ako a te ākonga

Last week saw all our senior students involved in senior assessments. Teachers are currently working hard marking assessments and then providing feedback to students. We will begin completing reports over the next week and a half. These will be available on-line in the middle of Week 9 to give parents an update on the achievement of their sons to date.

Culture - Ahurea

I wish to acknowledge the success of Tupaea Mika and Hemi Tulemau at the recent Mātaatua Regional Manu Kōrero Speech competition held at Te Whare Kura o Ruatoki. The competition began within an in-school competition in Aronui where students competed and were selected

to advance to the regional competition. Tupaea Mika advances to the National Manu Korero Competition at the Palmerston North Teachers' College Theatre on Tuesday 21 - Thursday 23 September 2021. The achievement of these boys is exceptional considering we are a mainstream secondary school whilst a number of the competitors in this competition come from full immersion Kura where Te Reo is the dominant language and also Te Reo is the natural first language for these students.

Student Discipline

Attached are the most recent discipline figures for Term 2. Considering the student body of 2060 these figures are very positive and show our Pastoral Care Student Management team are doing a really good job growing relationships with students and ensuring that they know they are supported in a caring and orderly environment.

Review of Uniform policy - Hair, facial hair

Update to Uniform Policy - Wording regarding Hair/Facial Hair

(Motion No: 6) RESOLVED that the Board ratify and endorse the updated TBC Uniform Policy

Moved: Craven

Seconded: Gilbertson

Carried

CoCurricular

The highlight over the next two weeks will be the production of 'Jesus Christ Superstar'. I hope the Board members will have an opportunity to attend this production. This is going to be an outstanding showcase of the talent of students from both Tauranga Boys' College and Tauranga Girls' College and also a very capable creative team, both in terms of the directing and production of 'Jesus Christ Superstar' to the music that backs up the performance and a particularly stunning set.

Winter Sport

Winter sport is now in full swing with a very large number of teams competing at various levels. I have had the opportunity to support teams both in Rotorua and in New Plymouth in the early stages of the Super 8 competition. I invite Board members to attend sporting activities that they would like to view over the winter season.

MP Visits

As you may be aware, we recently hosted Minister Sio and Minister Tinetti at the college in relation to Pasifika achievement (see attached link to Sunlive with a very complimentary article written in support of the achievement levels of the Pasifika students engaged at TBC).

Sunlive Article

One week later we had the Leader of the Opposition, Ms Judith Collins visiting along with Old Boy and Local MP for the Bay of Plenty, Mr Todd Muller.

Effective Teaching and Learning - Ako

Provisionally Registered Teachers

Lesson observations have been completed on all of our First Year Teachers. It was pleasing to note the progress these teachers are making. I look forward to visiting our Second Year teachers over the next couple of weeks. These lesson observations are part of their portfolio that they need to gather to receive confirmation of their registration at the end of their 2-year cycle.

Teacher Only Day

A Ministry of Education (MOE) NCEA Planning Day will be held on August 11th. These planning days are part of the Accord that was reached between the PPTA and the Ministry in order to support the implementation of the changes proposed for NCEA. Our intention on August 11th is to hold 'Jumbo Days' focused deliberately on the NCEA Level 1 changes within each of the different curriculum areas.

Principals Sabbatical

I have discussed with the Board Chair, and look for support from the Board, for my application for a Sabbatical to be taken in 2022. If successful with this application: I would be granted 10 weeks paid leave to undertake research in an area related to the college. One of the Executive team would step into the role of Acting Principal for the 10 weeks with no direct cost to the college in terms of salary. My intention would be to attend the International Boys' Schools Coalition Conference to be held in Dallas, Texas in June 2022 as part of this research. Prior to this, I would visit boys schools within NZ to look at what factors lead to the increased academic achievement of boys in boys only schools in comparison with boys in coeducational schools.

(Motion No: 7) **RESOLVED** that the Board ratify and endorse the Sabbatical Leave application received from the Principal.

Moved: Craven Seconded: Iuli Carried

Personnel

Mitchell Zandstra has been employed in a fixed term status to cover the withdrawal of the employment offer to Roha Dalton-Reedy. I have received a resignation from Nina Montalto who has decided not to return to the college after a period of parental leave.

I have advertised an English Teacher (parental leave position) to cover Kristy Davison and advertised internally for a Pasifika Tutor to cover the vacancy created by Kristy whilst she is on parental leave. This is a fixed term appointment as Kristy has the option of returning to her Pasifika tutor role.

Jana Pretorius has been appointed to a Year 9 Assistant Tutor role.

Resources - Rauemi

Finance

Minutes from the meeting held on 21st June 2021 are attached. Of note the school donation payment continues to be well above what was budgeted for and well above what we would be receiving if we had opted into the Donation Replacement Scheme.

(Motion No: 8) **RESOLVED** that the Board continues to endorse the recommendation that Tauranga Boys' College does not opt into the Donation Replacement Scheme for 2022.

Moved: Craven Seconded: Iuli Carried

Property

As per previous minutes, funding is in place for the covered multi-purpose facility build. A timeline has been created starting construction in January 2022 with completion in June 2022. The planning for the development of the Music block is proceeding well. Plans have been

finalised by the architect and working drawings are being created. The next stage will be to tender out for the construction of this block.

12-Classroom Block

Over the last month we have approved furnishings and fittings for this build. I am excited by how this development will look and we look forward to construction beginning with the extension of the existing staff car park out over the current cricket nets. Once this new carpark is completed, then construction of the 12-classroom block will begin with an anticipated start prior to the end of 2021.

5. Sub-Committee Reports

Titans Sport Council Trust

The minutes of the meeting held 8th June 2021 were taken as read. The TECT funding application for \$150,000 for a Cricket facility has been approved.

Arts Council Trust

The minutes of the meeting held 28th May 2021 were taken as read.

Staff Representative

The staff are looking forward to the end of term break and will be appreciative of the Board morning tea shout.

Student Representative

Elections for the 2021/2022 Student representative on the Board will take place in September. Janine Goldthorpe has been appointed as Returning Officer for this process.

 General Business Nil.

Meeting concluded at 7.25pm

Next Meeting: Monday 16th August 2021

Chairperson: