



**TAURANGA
BOYS' COLLEGE**
Best for Boys | Tama Tū Tama Ora

Minutes of the Meeting of Tauranga Boys' College Board of Trustees Monday 18th September 2023 - 4.30pm Boardroom

Present: Mr Robert Dunne (Deputy Chair), Mr Ian Stuart (Associate Principal), Mr Charl Louw (Trustee), Mr Jordan Evison (Staff Rep), Mr Darryl McConnell via Zoom (Trustee), Freddie Mitchell (Student Rep)

Apologies: Nikki Iuli (Presiding Member), Charles Palmer (Trustee), Andrew Turner (Principal)

In Attendance: Mrs Janine Goldthorpe (Board Secretary)

Welcome

- The meeting was opened with a karakia.
- Freddie Mitchell, Student Representative, was welcomed to his first Board meeting.

BOT Code of Practice

- Held over until the November meeting.

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting [Link](#)

(Motion No: 1) **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 21st August 2023 be accepted as a true and correct record of that meeting.

*Moved: Dunne
Seconded: Evison*

2. Matters Arising

Nil

3. Conflict of Interest Register [Link](#)

There was nothing new to add to the register.

4. Principal's Executive Summary

The Principal's [Executive Summary](#) was taken as read and covered the following focus areas:

Our Organisation

Resources

- Finance
- Staff and Student Wellbeing
- Health & Safety
- School Roll
- Property

Network

- Engagement with local iwi

- Whānau and Parent Community involvement
- Partner with key professional organisations
- Strengthen links with TBC Old Boys Association and Alumni
- Other educational, curriculum and leadership organisation and associations

Structure

- Management Structure
- Student Management and Pastoral team

Processes

- Curriculum
- Students Cultural Needs
- Extra Curricular
- Professional learning and development
- School culture

Our Experience

Culture

- Supportive and Orderly
- Extra-curricular
- Student Leadership
- Attendance and Engagement

Effective Teaching and Learning

- A quality curriculum that is broad, rich and engaging; driven by students' needs and future pathways
- A curriculum and pedagogy that consistently delivers the best education for our boys
- Quality professional learning which enhances the knowledge and skills of our staff

Student Learning

- Learning that develops future focused competencies - critical thinking, communication, creativity, collaboration, cultural understanding.
- A commitment to preparing boys for life long learning, further education, training and work.
- High quality and equitable opportunities for learning through experiences inside and outside the classroom.

Academic Achievement

- Junior School equitable outcomes
- Senior School equitable outcomes
- The new 12-Classroom Block will be completed and ready for use in Term 4. An official opening date will be arranged and the Board invited.

[TBC Strategic Drivers 2023](#)

Student Phones at School

- Darryl McConnell asked for an update about the student survey questionnaire regarding devices at school. Ian Stuart replied that the school is keen to receive feedback but feel that we are currently in a reasonably good space with devices.
- Darryl felt that the issue could be progressed quicker so phones are not a stumbling block for the school. Ian replied that we do need to have the data to back this up, staff are happy to let us know if cellphones in the classroom are hampering their teaching. Realistically, it would be 2024 before any policy would be implemented.

- Darryl asked if the school would look at running workshops with teachers & boys regarding what is happening in the class to run alongside the student survey? More focus is required to ensure that this topic is getting the attention that it deserves.
- This topic will be revisited at the November meeting.

5. Sub Committees

Finance Committee

Darryl McConnell summarised the finance meeting that was held on 13th September [Link](#)

- The surplus to budget YTD is reasonably healthy
- Donations are looking good for 2023.

Property Committee

Jordan Evison and Charl Louw spoke to the Property Committee report [Link](#)

- School House Accommodation estimate of \$80,000 to renovate the basement (currently a dirt floor) to accommodate 2 students. A resolution will be emailed to all Board members before renovations commence.

Titans Sports Council Trust

Robert Dunne spoke to the Titans Sports Council Trust report [Link](#)

Arts Council Trust

Charl Louw spoke to the Arts Council Trust report [Link](#)

6. Correspondence

Leave Requests

- Rob Warner - Refreshment leave request, Term 2, 2024

(Motion No: 2) **RESOLVED** that the board ratify and endorse the request for leave received.

Carried

Resignations Received

- Danielle Wilson - end of 2023, moving to Northland and undertaking further study.
- Rob Gilbert - end of 2023, taking up Principalship of Papanui High School. The Board offered a vote of thanks to Rob for his work at TBC over the last 8 years.

(Motion No: 3) **RESOLVED** that the board ratify and endorse the resignations received.

Carried

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

Carried

Deputy Principal Appointment Timeline

The appointment timeline for the appointment of a DP, Senior School was discussed and also the availability of Board members for interviews.

(Motion No: 5) **RESOLVED** that the Deputy Principal Appointment Timeline be approved.

Carried

General Business

7. General

Nil

The Board went In Committee

The Board came out of In Committee

The Meeting concluded at 5.50 pm with a karakia.

Next Meeting: Monday 20th November 2023

Presiding Member: _____

