

# Minutes of the Howick College Board Meeting Wednesday 29 November 2023 – 6.00 pm Community Development Office

PRESENT	Miles Stratford (Presiding Member), Dale Burden (Principal) Dale left the meeting at 6.01pm returned 6.13pm, Carin Newbould, Richard Tosh, Sharon King (Staff rep), Rebecca Rose, Bruce Barrett, Michele Heywood (Deputy Presiding Member), Peter Cunningham, Lorraine Mackereth (Minutes)		
WELCOME	Miles Stratford welcomed the new Board member Peter Cunningham and welcomed re-elected members back to the Board, Richard Tosh and Carin Newbould		
OPENING	The meeting opened at 5.57pm with a karakia		
APOLOGIES	Kaide Toia (Student Rep)		
QUORUM	The Presiding Member declared a quorum		
IN ATTENDANCE	None		
GOVERNANCE	<ul> <li>Conflicts of Interest: –         <ul> <li>Updated with new member Peter Cuningham details</li> <li>Bruce Barrett now works at Anihana</li> <li>Michele Heywood will be working as a Deputy Principal at Macleans College</li> </ul> </li> <li>Board dates for 2024 was circulated. The Board recommends that the CDO and HR/Curriculum meetings become part of the full board meetings. Health and Safety report will be presented at the full Board meetings instead of at the Property meetings. The full board meetings will be held 3 times during term 2 (a total of 9 meetings per year). The full board meetings will start at 5.30pm for term 1 and term 2 for the HOLA Department presentations.</li> </ul>		
BOARD SELF REVIEW	Training undertaken/booked:  O None noted		
ADMINISTRATION	Minutes of the previous meeting 25 October 2023 as previously circulated  Moved that these are a true and correct record  M Stratford / R Rose Carried  Moved that the In the Committee Minutes are a true and correct record  M Stratford / M Heywood		
MATTERS ARISING	<ul> <li>Any action list items not already closed or on meeting agenda</li> <li>The Board recommends that the Health Centre remain open at intervals and lunchtimes, Dale followed up the reasons behind the locked doors. Rationale was provided and will be reviewed further.</li> <li>Uniform survey will be undertaken with the community and come back to the Board. The website around uniforms has been updated.</li> </ul>		
CORRESPONDENCE	<ul> <li>Incoming:         <ul> <li>New appointments National Panel – ASL Helen Henkin</li> <li>MOE direction to take a student from Pakuranga College 14 November</li> <li>NZQA Managing NAR copy of report (no significant issues) 26 October</li> </ul> </li> <li>Moved that the incoming and outcoming correspondence be accepted</li> <li>M Stratford / R Tosh</li> </ul>		

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dale tabled his report to the board for November including the following:

- Progress towards the annual goals
  - These will be modified from next year
  - Academic monitoring is going well. The learning hub/library is going well but subject to 5YA funding
  - Pastoral system around the student management of discipline is being reviewed. Looking closely at the role of the Dean. Each senior leader will lead a House from next year rather than a year level. There will be a counsellor/LSC assigned to each house. The 4 new Deans have been appointed on a fixed term and the time allowance has been reduced
  - The Tutor programme is currently being reviewed by teachers and students
  - o Pasifika tutor class is being reorganised to be a vertical structure for 2024
  - Arts and sports are going well and it has been a very busy time. 12% of staff are involved with sport – the average in schools is 19%
  - Senior prize givings are being reviewed and looking at venues for a return to a single prizegiving event next year to hold the Senior Honours
  - Attendance data for Term 3 was tabled and attached and will be a big focus for next year to improve and will be followed up more closely
  - Howick Coast Kāhui Ako refreshed Achievement Plan attached. Dale is attending both the Kahui Ako area meetings
- Annual Endorsement for D Burden Professional Growth Cycle (PGC) 2023 attached
- Principal's wellbeing and coaching budget expenses attached
- Dale presented feedback on his conference he attended in Brisbane during the last holidays
- Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki engagement Dale, Michele and Eleanor will be attending a meeting in Clevedon on 13 December
- Staffing HR report was tabled and attached
- Staff wellbeing committee are working with groups and have put through some initial feedback and suggestions
- Discipline Data Term 3 & Term 4 attached
- Draft Strategic Plan attached and is work in progress. The strategic goals are what resulted from the Board strategic meeting and will be driven by the Board
- Sensitive expenditure policy attached and tabled
- EOTC Approvals for overnight Trips:
  - o Rowing Aon Junior Regatta Lake Karapiro 23 25 February
  - o Rowing Aon NISS Champs Regatta, Lake Karapiro 29 Feb 3 March

Trust Funding Application to Pub Charity
For accommodation for Senior Volleyball Nationals
16 March 2024 – 22 March 2024
Foxton Bible Camp Inc. Palmerston North
\$4,085.22

Moved that an application to Pub Charity be approved D Burden / M Stratford Carried

Moved that the Principal's report as tabled be accepted D Burden / M Stratford Carried

Moved that the EOTC overnight trips be accepted.

D Burden / M Heywood Carried

# SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

### Community Development/International meeting held on 21 November 2023

The Community Development and International minutes of the meeting 21 November as tabled and previously circulated.

- The Principal's report update on the Community Development Office and International Department was previously circulated and tabled as read at this full board meeting
- Newsletters and communications have been improved
- Trust funding applications should involve other areas and not just to subsidise sporting accommodation
- The international assistant has resigned
- Student numbers need to grow currently sitting at FTE 30, next year FTE 35
- Dale thanked Carin for her work on the sub-committee, next year they will form part of the full board meeting

Moved that the Community Development/International minutes be accepted C Newbould / M Heywood Carried

HR/Curriculum subcommittee moved in committee on 21 November 2023 at 6.15pm under Section 47 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (1987) to discuss staffing items of a sensitive nature.

## **Finance Meeting**

The Finance meeting minutes of the meeting 22 November as tabled and previously circulated.

Year to date surplus is \$146,006. Working Capital surplus \$130,017

Discussion was held regarding the voluntary donations and amounts charged for trips.

Moved that the school opens an additional bank account for MoE Project Retentions B Barrett / M Stratford

Moved that the Draft 2024 Budget be accepted. B Barrett / M Stratford

Moved that the September and October 2023 financial reports be accepted for approval including payments listed on the transaction report from 1/09/23 to 30/09/23 totalling \$861,645 be ratified and the payments listed on the transaction report dated 1/10/23 to 31/10/2023 totalling \$977,963 be ratified.

B Barrett / M Stratford

Carried

#### **Property and Health and Safety**

The Property and Health and Safety minutes of the meeting 22 November as tabled and previously circulated.

An update of 5YA projects was noted.

Bledisloe traffic report was tabled.

Moved that the Property and Health and Safety Report 23 November 2023 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

R Tosh / B Barrett

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS	<ul> <li>Co-opting members to the Board – This was discussed and it was determined that at this time, the Board was appropriately resourced. Dale identified the developing relationship with Ngāi Tai may open up opportunities for additional support at Board level.</li> <li>Dale asked why the Board are on a mid-term cycle and not a triennial cycle. While members of the community put their hands up to be involved, costs associated with the election were not supported by strong voting by the Community. Miles to follow up with the NZSTA and discuss at the next meeting</li> </ul>	
	At 8.32pm M Stratford moved the Board into Committee under Section 47 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (1987) to discuss staffing and student items of a sensitive nature.  8.51pm moved out of committee	
MEETING CLOSED	8.52pm with a closing karakia	
NEXT MEETING	21 February 2023	

Signed:		Date:
	Presiding Member	

To Action	By Whom
Update conflicts register	L Mackereth
Calendar of policies for review and Board to sign in to School Docs	M Thomas
Research the mid-term to triennial cycle	M Stratford