

TITAHI BAY SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting held on
Monday 23 March 2015
at 7.00p.m.
at Titahi Bay School

1. ADMINISTRATION

1.1 PRESENT:

Shelley Cheyne (Chairperson), Kerry Delaney (Principal), Sharon Thompson (Staff Rep) Sarah Campbell, Lynn Lang (Secretary), Carl Jones, Scott Hemsley, Gaby Wesley-Smith, Barbara Edmonds

1.2 APOLOGIES:

None

1.3 Declaration of interests

None

1.4 WELCOMES

Shelley welcomed Tanya, and (*name withheld*), Jamie, Candis and (*name withheld*) RTLB to the meeting.

2. STRATEGIC DECISIONS:

2.1 Special needs cooking room

Carl advised that plans have been received. Lee Ashby, once he sees the plans will do a quick quantity survey. Kerry has written to the MOE who will check with the finance sector to make sure we have enough funds for this project. Hopefully this project will be done in stages.

2.2 Community meeting on Education

Barbara and Sarah attended the meeting. Their overall impression was that on a whole it was reasonably positive.

2.3 Delegations List for 2015

Sarah moved that the delegations list for 2015 be passed – seconded Scott.

Trustee Code of Behaviour Policy – given out and signed by each Board member.

Shelley moved that the Strategic Decisions be passed / seconded Sarah

3. STRATEGIC DISCUSSIONS:

3.1 Property 5YP

Start conversations with Lee Ashby. Maybe Kerry and Carl fly to Auckland for a day and see what is happening in schools in the Auckland area.

3.2 Decile Rating

Two schools in the Bay currently collecting whanau information to go for an appeal on decile. We have time so will wait and see how these two BOT's get on.

3.3 4D School programme plan.

Tanya, with the help of (*name withheld*) talked about Dyslexia and what we can do about it in our school. She advised that approximately 40-50 children in our school could be dyslexic.

*We need to better identify the needs of these children

*What is dyslexia? – It is where children see words and numbers as 3D.

*(*name withheld*) talked on his point of view as having dyslexia and what works for him.

*Reading Recovery does not work for these children so early detection is important.

Tanya talked to the timeline for Titahi Bay School

First steps – BOT support / Parent meeting and involvement of community /

Investigate/Develop Procedures / Dyslexia awareness policy.

Teaching - Teachers / Assessment / Learning support programmes / opportunities to shine.

Engagement – School website / support / information evenings for parents

We need to get other schools on board within our community with the idea of having a shared trained Davis Dyslexic teacher.

Kerry thanked Tanya for her report and gave her a big thumbs up. It is very frustrating to feel such passion about something knowing there is no funding for this sort of programme. Kerry advised that the school will be looking at the criteria and identification of children then directing learning funds to the start of this initiative.

3.4

Jamie and Candis Star and PAT results and plan

Candis talked to the PAT results

Jamie talked to the STAR results giving overviews of where we are and what we are going to do and target across the school.

Kerry advised that we are extremely lucky to have these two people in our school who have such passion and drive when it comes to Maths and Literacy.

Our data is very positive for the start of the year.

3.5 Special Needs Update

Sharon tabled and talked to the special needs update of children in our school.

Meetings are being held weekly to discuss children that we are worried about for health, physical and emotional needs.

Shelley moved that the Strategic Discussions be passed / seconded Sarah

4. MONITORING

4.1 Draft December Accounts

Gaby moved that the draft February accounts be passed – seconded Shelley.

4.2 Banked Staffing

Kerry advised that at pp26 this will be approximately \$9000 underuse so it will be left in banked staffing for the year.

4.3 Auditor – We are on track with all paper requirements for this.

5. IDENTIFY/AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

5.1 Auditors report

5.2 Targets – Team feedback on programmes

Team leaders are ready to report back to BOT on what they are doing.

6. ADMINISTRATION:

6.1 Confirmation of last minutes

On the motion of Shelley , seconded Sarah, it was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 23 February 2015 be taken as read and signed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

6.2 Correspondence -Principal's Report

Kerry talked to the main points in her report.

Board to draft a letter to Minister of Education and Kris Fa'afoi, MP for Mana re keeping "Fruit in Schools" as an ongoing thing. Also contact Compass Health to see if there is any support in this area, given their recent trials.

Kerry advised that the school will not be closed for a day for school interviews but will close at maybe 2pm over a couple of days in Term 2 for interviews.

Shelley moved that the Administration be passed – seconded Sharon

7. MEETING CLOSURE

7.1 Comments on meeting:

- *Good meeting, some real cool presentations from staff and good discussions.
- *Enjoyed hearing all good stuff from staff.
- *Love looking at lop-sided bell curve. Address the dyslexic programme.
- *Passion is what we saw tonight. You are not just a teacher it is all the caring that comes with it – everybody helping each other.
- *I too enjoyed Tanya's presentation I truly believe that these children will learn from

(name withheld). Enjoyed the staff voice. Student achievement stuff good to see.

*Ditto what everybody else said. Four gutsy presentations tonight. Huge credit to the staff. Big heart for Pasifika data.

*Love the passion and care of the staff and seeing the beginning of the Joy Allcock work and the results now. I love the way you look after the children giving hugs, etc., so good to see.

*Everything being done at this school is about "WE". That is what makes us strong. Dyslexia – make it happen. Very excited about the whole Anzac thing. Pushing for all children and parents to go to the parade and then back to the RSA.

7.2 Preparation for next meeting

MEETING CLOSED AT 9.50pm

MINUTES READ AND CONFIRMED

Chairperson.....

Date.....

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