



Stratford High School Board

Minutes of Board meeting

Wednesday 26 April, 2023

Present:	Cameron Stone, Jason Loveridge, Wendy Single, Brendon Gernhoefer, Victoria Payne, Carl Triggs, Dan Kerr, Jane Tobin
Late:	
In Attendance:	Amanda Hill
Apologies:	Brad Gibbons

Visitor's Report	
David Daughtery HoD Maths	Exam Results – No internal listed as they are really good. Level 1 – 40 students 93% compared to national average of 77% We have done better than decile 10 schools nationally and we pretty much do this every year. MCAT (Algebra) – 56% pass rate which was close to National average. Would like to improve the Excellences. We are very happy about the Level 1 results. Calculus – level 3 – the most difficult of all the maths classes – 8 students This only has 3 students this year. (average number of students) Pass rate of 88% compared to 67% National Average. The maths department is now very strong and stable. We have four teachers who are trained in maths. They have a maths qualification. The classrooms have almost all been refurbished now. Year 9's and 10's – skill set is very low and very weak. Lots of work to do here, but have made a good start with their modules. Will have to wait until the end of the year to see the engagement with this. <i>Cam: The philosophy behind the modules has been great, has been lead well by David with some excellent teaching done by him as seen by Michael Taylor. Really engaging the students.</i> Numeracy Pilot is going to carry on for another year before starting. Now can do it digitally and through unit standards. Workroom – needs some furniture and shelving etc...

Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

Member				
Brad Gibbons	-			
Cameron Stone	N			
Dan Kerr	N			
Victoria Payne	N			
Jason Loveridge	N			
Wendy Single	N			
Carl Triggs	N			
Jane Tobin	N			
Brendon Gernhoefer	N			

Administration

Confirmation of minutes <i>Moved Loveridge that the minutes from the previous meeting are approved. CARRIED</i> <i>Gernhoefer</i>	Minutes were discussed and signed. Moved Jason Loveridge Carried: Gernhoefer
Matters Arising:	The heating – is now on for this term. Drama room heat pump is all in and going. Curtains – doesn't look like this is a requirement for lockdown, but our curtains are shot and do need replacing. Van – Carl emailed them today and waiting to hear back. He will find a trailer and clarify that we get 3 years of free servicing. Strips on the stairs – still waiting on this. Houses that we are trying to sell – still waiting to hear back about this from MacDonald's

Board Reports:

Principal Report: <i>Moved Stone that the Principal's report is accepted. CARRIED Gernhoefer</i>	<i>On Teams</i> Roll – 7 year 10s left in the last 2 weeks of term. Very unusual. 2 year 11's also left. Attendance – Would like it to be above 85%. We are still reasonably strong and didn't have it go below 80% No health and safety in the last couple of weeks. Peter Hogan – metal tech teacher – supporting new teacher. Alex Hickford going on maternity leave and have interviewed for her position to be filled. Appointment has been made until the end of the year. Grounds and Property – TPU was broken in to. Came in through the back window and left that way also. Stole the vehicle later that morning with a key they had taken. AE has also been broken into over the holidays and vandalised. This is a real worry, but we have our cameras up and working again. We still have Armorgard who will attend if need be. (\$150 cost per callout). Needs to be addressed as a risk to our staff who attend the callouts. We need to know who is going in. We might need cameras near the TPU. Armorgard to come in between 11pm and 2am for any callouts. Cleland block – completed – looking really good. C Block nearly completed also. Two levels of strikes - internal ones that don't affect the community. And until the end of this term can only run an 8 hour school day. This shouldn't impact us too much. May 10, week 3 – there is another strike day. And then there is rostering home which is where a year level at a time stays home. We need to have an alternative plan for them if they do come to school – they will have no teacher or classes. We do have 4 non PPTA teachers, but it is a numbers game. Seniors will have work to continue with. <i>Moved Stone that we will be asking students to stay at home for strike actions. Under 14's will be able to come in if necessary. CARRIED Triggs</i> Level 2 and 3 changes have been pushed back for a year. Literacy and Numeracy pilots – still 2 ways students can achieve these. Not a huge impact on our students.
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Student Report: Victoria Payne <i>Moved Payne that the student report is received. CARRIED Gernhoefer</i>	<i>On Teams</i> Had an orchestra day, TSSSA events – triathlon and golf. We have 3 students representing Taranaki at the North Island Secondary School Athletics Championships. Easter Egg hunt – went really well with whole school participation. Six students have gained leadership roles on the Youth Council. Relay for life – a great result from this. Graffiti survey results 50 responses – Most were really keen. Next step would be to show the students his draft work.
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Staff Report: Dan Kerr	<i>On Teams</i> Nothing for this meeting.
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Committee reports: ideally a written report is circulated with the agenda.

Finance: Triggs & Gernhoefer Accounts: The Board must approve the month's accounts, as recommended by the Finance Committee which has scrutinized them.	<i>On Teams</i> Few queries about the March payments. Financials are looking really good.
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Minutes: Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting are received. <i>Moved Gernhoefer that the Board approve the payment of the accounts. CARRIED Loveridge</i>	
Health and Safety: Jane Tobin	<i>On Teams</i> Next meeting is next month
Property Report: Brad Gibbons <i>Moved Stone that the property report is received. CARRIED Loveridge</i>	<i>On Teams</i> Fire upgrade – this is still not compliant – still a long list to complete for this. Caretaker shed needs to be moved onto the concrete pad. If we get our wood now it is 50% off.
Farm: Jason Loveridge <i>Moved Loveridge that the farm report is received. CARRIED Gernhoefer</i>	Fencing is now completed and the lease agreement with the current trust – they are up to speed with what might happen in the future. Will be a 2 year lease and then will be moving on with our Farm Academy.
Application for Funding	-
Reunion Committee Update	Looking good, communications are out onto Facebook. Needs to go onto the Stratford Community Page and into the local paper so people can start reserving that weekend.

Correspondence:

Inwards correspondence includes emailed circulars, etc. NZSTA news –

Date	Name	Regarding
22/3	School Docs	Updates
08/03	Matt Coleman	Roll review

Outwards Correspondence

Date	Name	Regarding
22 March	J. Mondia	Maternity Leave

General Business:

Change of the photocopiers in CL Block – not yet done. Cam to look into leases for the current copiers. Kelly Rawlins Sewing classes at night time using her room – Board agrees with this and it is okay to use the school's machines. <i>Moved Stone that Kelly Rawlins be approved to take community sewing lessons in her room and that the participants may use the school machines CARRIED All</i>
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Closed Agenda (Public Excluded Business) a. Apologies b. Confirmation of minutes c. Matters arising d. General Business Discussion of matters relating to staff and students, including Welfare and Discipline Committee	<i>Moved Loveridge that the public be excluded for agenda items relating to NAG5 pursuant to section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act. The reason being to discuss matters regarding personnel and the ground is to protect the privacy of individuals</i> <i>Moved Loveridge that the BoT move out of Public Excluded Business at CARRIED All</i>
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Meeting closure:	
Preparation for next meeting	

Meeting closed at 7.45pm

Motions from the meeting:

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Signed:

Board Chair:



Date:

23/05/23