MARTINBOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Minutes Thursday 4 November 2021 7.00pm

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Meetir	ngs protocol:	
Presen	t: Kirsty Shepherd, Craig Nelson, Megan Pentecost, John Kirkup,	
	Guscott, Grant Plumbley,	
Apolog	ies: Rachel Griffiths	
Declara	ation(s) of interest: nil	
Princip	als Report tabled	Craig Nelson
Princip	al's Sabbatical	
0	Verbal report given and written report to be presented at next	
	meeting	
0	Craig thanked the BOT for the opportunity; Ron for his able	
	management as Acting Principal especially coping with lockdown	
	and the staff for their work in his absence	
0	He has returned with renewed enthusiasm for and confirmation of	
	the direction the school is taking	
0	Ron has identified areas of work that he can continue taking	
	responsibility for, thus allowing Craig to focus on Covid matters	
Teache	er-Aide (T-A) Budget	
0	School roll is down 25 compared to same date in 2020	
0	Til now the school has carried the cost of extra TA hours but this is	
	no longer financially viable	
0	NB the school is very fortunate to have T-As of this calibre	
0	T-As have been informed and asked for their solutions to the	
	problem	
0	The Principals Collective has also sent petitioned the government	
	for a more realistic budget for T-As in schools	
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	Surriculum Development Rep. Spansor, Caitlin and Charl are actively working on a 3 year	
0	Ron, Spencer, Caitlin and Charl are actively working on a 2 year	
_	plan commencing in 2022	
0	Plan & proposals to be sent to staff for feedback	
0	Board asked for a presentation to the BOT as well in the new year.	

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Craig moved his report be accepted. Seconded by Mark	
Strategic Discussion	Kitsty Shepherd
Only 35% of school donations/fees have been received.	
BYOD (Bring your own devices) – also refer to previous minutes	
After a lengthy discussion the BOT has taken the difficult but	
necessary decision to discontinue funding individual computers in	
school. Unanimous decision.	
 This decision brings us in line with other schools; ie our 	
sponsorship of computers for so long was unique	
Parents will now be responsible for providing electronic devices for	
each child from year <mark>5.</mark>	
 For those who cannot afford this a 3 year purchase scheme is 	
available through Schooled-Up IT	
 Schooled-UpIT provides pre-loaded computers, ongoing support 	
and the school insurance programme will insure against damage	
while at school. Parents are responsible for damage incurred out	
of school grounds.	
 Business community members have also been approached to 	
determine what support they can provide- discussions ongoing	
 Kirsty will send a letter to parents explaining this decision. 	
School Documents nil this meeting	
Monitoring	
<u>Financial report</u> tabled	John
 2022 budget to be presented to the BOT at the next meeting 	
 T-As & BYOD already discussed 	
 Fall in school roll follows natural ebb and flow in the community 	
but impacts negatively on financial resources and funding	
 2022 budget will seek to address this years shortfall 	
 In the meantime all non-essential expenditure curtailed 	
 the forecast for the rest of the year is break-even 	
John moved his report be accepted Seconded by Grant	
Property:	Mark
Gutters repaired and replaced	

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0	Fire alarm and drainage upgrades to be undertaken in summer holidays.			
<u>Health</u>	& <u>Safety (H&S):</u>	Grant		
0	No significant incidents or near misses			
0	Earthquake and evacuation drill conducted			
0	H&S walk completed			
0	Holes discovered in lawn including a tunnel under the fence- dug by children			
0	Playground – children will rake back the bark			
0	All staff including volunteers are to provide the school with their Covid vaccination certificates			
<u>Personnel</u> Kirsty				
0	Principals appraisal due in December and will be available at the 1 st meeting in 2022			
0	No changes in staff for 2022			
0	BOT elections moved from May to September 2022. Succession			
	planning needs to be considered			
		Rachel		
Commi	unity			
0	RTV (Round the Vines) planning commenced amid considerable			
	uncertainty – impossible to predict Covid trajectory. Discussion			
	ensued re implications of including RTV in the budget. Leave out			
	given the risks and uncertainties			
Meeting Admin				
Minute	s of previous meeting accepted as true and correct. Moved by			
Kirsty. Seconded by				
Matters arising: discussed above				
Correspondence				
Meetin	g closed at 2030			
Date of	Date of next meeting: 2-12-21			