

Kokopu School Board of Trustees Meeting 18th February 2020

Present: Yaron Overeem, Lindsey Riley, Kirsty Stuart, Neil Crowson, Toni Hughes, Shaun McMurchy, Vicki Lye, Ratama Weavers.

Apologies: Nil

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2. Principals Report – Yaron presented his report and explained some points in the Strategic Plan.
3. Strategic Plan - Shaun questioned 3.1 environment – Going forward a long term plan will be made. Some ideas have been implemented already. Our environment is an initiative for learning, through the enviro and science curriculum. Budget for PB4L needs to be looked at. We have received \$20000.00 for PB4L and need to question Anna's funding and where it is at. Yaron has added \$5000 for maintenance of IT gear and \$5000 for new replacement laptops. The Ministry have extra money in their health and safety budget that is available to apply for. Yaron will look at getting funding for a H & S report for our parking and road situation. A discussion ensued regarding a wish list that could be funded through the H & S funding from the Ministry. We could approach Pub Charity for a sports shed. We need to discuss charitable grants further to prioritise what we want to apply for and whom the funding will come from. Camps – Juniors – Jenn would like to do EOTC experiences rather than a whole camp. The staff will discuss what they would like to do for camps then report. At this stage, they would like to make Year 7 & 8 camp something for the students to look forward to in their senior years, rather than every year, all classes going on camps. Analysis of Variance will be completed once enrolment dates are sorted out. Assessment in writing has quite a big variation in the middle years. Partial reason is due to assessment tools. WTE is broadening writing styles and staff are really committed to this program. This will be communicated to the community to get them on board with helping children at home. Yaron requested that the strategic plan is approved for submission to the Ministry, Shaun seconded, approved. It is due by the 1st March. We will need to start planning for the next Strategic plan in Term 2.
4. Health and Safety Report – Discussed non slip surfaces. All the jobs have been completed by the TAS caretaker as identified by in the H & S Report. Pete is doing all the grounds work. Shaun would like to see that a professional trade's person does all the major jobs. Yaron would like to see a walk around once a term with H & S board member. Yaron will liaise with Pete on a monthly basis.
5. Property Report – Replacement of skimmer basket lid is \$160. Defer until next season. Painting of the library and book room is scheduled for the April school holidays. The admin block is overdue for exterior paint by 4 years. Yaron has scheduled quotes for building wash downs. Shaun asked if painting could come under the bulk payment allocated from the Ministry. Funding for painting is factored into the Op Grant.

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