



Halfway Bush School Board of Trustees Meeting Board Minutes

Tuesday 30th January 2024

Present: Brian, Jodi, Tessa Stephen C, Stephen M

Absent:

Apologies: Eta

Welcome everyone to our first meeting of 2024. This meeting is about the Halfway Bush School Strategic Plan for 2024 -2026.

Firstly Brian pointed out the painting that was done outside around the staffroom windows etc over the summer. Stephen C has been told by the painter that the windows around the staff room are very badly rotten and this is a health and safety issue. The painter has nailed them shut as there was concern if someone opened them they could fall out! Brian is to bring this up when he has the 10YP meeting with the MOE at the end of February 2024.

Halfway Bush School Strategic Plan for 2024 -2026 has a copy of the draft plan. This is a draft until the board and staff have worked through it with Brian. Brian will make any changes and once completed he will upload it to the MOE.

Vision - agreed

Values - agreed

Photo - agreed

School profile - some small edits to be made

School principals - this is new to the plan - agreed

The MOE would like to see Maori Dimensions and cultural diversity - this has been added to the plan

Key principals - agreed

Planning 2024 - 2026

Strategic goals core strategies for achieving excellence in learning - same as the old plan

2024 - agreed

2025 - could be changes made due to the new government and a refresh to the school curriculum - MOE agreed

2026 - left blank at this stage due to above

Engaging our Community

2024 - agreed

2025 - blank - Brian to discuss with the staff tomorrow (TOD)

2026 - blank - Brian to discuss with the staff tomorrow (TOD)

Priority Learners

2024 - agreed

2025 - agreed

2026 - agreed

Maximizing our environment

2024 - agreed

2025 - agreed

2026 - agreed

Stephen M looking into costing for the playground before the next board meeting

Connecting with our changing world

2024 - agreed

2025 - agreed

2026 - agreed

Annual Plan 2024

Goal 1 - agreed

Goal 2 and 3 - Brian to discuss with the staff tomorrow (TOD)

Budget 2024

We are now using Monty online with School Solutions to do a draft budget. Once the board has confirmed the budget it will be uploaded into Xero

Bank account to date \$138k we have never started a school year this good

\$57K is our working capital at all times. This year \$176k - 4 drops roughly 44k. Less this year due to role 37

Draft budget is approved by the board

PTA market day being held Saturday 6th April

Need to revisit the Kohanga after the 10YP assessment report regarding what to do - has a 3 year lease - is it still worth while having at school

There are no more Bendigo Community Grants so need to look into trusts or who provides funding for schools.

Grants Committee
Stephen M, Brian and Tessa

Ski camp 2024
Year 5-6
10x children
Brian, Tessa and 1x parent help
Can start accepting payments \$120 for camp
PTA donating \$4000 for camp

Swimming
Bendigo usually helped out with this. It usually costs around \$5k and we do get some funding from the MOE for activities so we can not charge parents. Grants committee to look into funding

Brian 2024 appraisal
Brian would like to find an independent appraiser. Will pass the details on to Stephen C to enquire for Brian's appraisal this year

Tessa to check first aid cupboard/clear replace what needed

Brian to look into skip hire - Contact Shane from Save money skips

Brian and Stephen C spoke about being on the board and the importance to show up to the meetings

2024 Board meeting dates

Tessa to put in calendar and invite all board members

Mondays 6pm
11th March
8th April
27th May
8 th July
19th August
23rd September
11th November
9th December

Meeting ended 12.50pm