ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

Reach for the Stars as Lifelong Learners in the Catholic Faith

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Minutes of the monthly meeting of St Joseph's School Board of Trustees Held Thursday, 3rd November 2022, at 6.00 pm in Ruma Koru

Present:

Sharni Cunningham, Rebecca Laming, Lorraine Frances-Rees, Fr Wayne, Victoria Forrest, Andy Bradley, Samara Allardice, Sarah Sollano, Adele Whiston

Apologies:

Nil

Welcome and Prayer:

Sharni welcomed everyone to the meeting. Lorraine opened the meeting with a prayer.

From The Pews

9 enrolment meetings were held today for next year. The Family Fun Night was well supported and had a great feel. Good for the school going forward.

Board Training

Lorraine attended the Māori Achievement conference in Auckland. One aspect of the conference was looking at the differences in the European/Māori systems. This showed that Māori can operate successfully in both the Māori and European systems, but Europeans were not as successful with the Māori system. What do we, as a school, want to look like going forward?

Principal's Report:

The Principal's report was tabled along with the Nag report.

Goal 1: Ensure the future of our Catholic Community in North Otago by building a lifetime foundation in the Catholic faith, growing Catholic Leaders, and promoting a Christ-centred community.

Unfortunately, there is no interest in keeping the Home and School functioning. Parents are willing to attend social events but not wanting to organise fundraising. We have been advised to keep the Home & School bank account open with a minimal amount of funds and to change the signatories. These can be changed as required. The Board discussed where to from here for the Home and School. The next social event planned for 4th December. Multicultural Day is planned for 29th November with a shared lunch and cultural performance in the afternoon.

Goal 2: All Students have meaningful and engaging learning experiences, striving for excellent outcomes for all.

The teachers are using the PaCT (Progress and Consistency Tool) analysis to help make judgements of the children's learning. This term we are continuing with the science curriculum and training for the annual athletics.

Goal 3: Staff experience belonging and loyalty to St Joseph's and give enthusiasm, commitment, and excellence.

Staff are a very cohesive team. Reflection with CoL

Move to accept the Principal's report along with the Nag reports

L Frances-Rees/S Allardice

Student Achievement and Curriculum

Science

The Board looked at the achievement results. The Board noticed a drop in achievement for Year 8's. The Yr 8 effect is due to students new to the school and ELL.

Religious Education

Leanne Brookes joined the meeting to present the Religious Education Report. The Board completed the self-review.

Leanne left the meeting

Move to accept the Science and Religious Education Achievement reports

S Cunningham/V Forrest

Property Report

Anticipated start of the rebuild is sometime in Term 1 next year.

Finance

The Board looked at the draft budget.

Move that the Board go into Committee to protect the privacy of natural persons pursuant to the provisions of Local Government Information and Meetings Act 1987, to discuss personnel matters.

S Cunningham

Moved that the Board move out of Committee.

S Cunningham

Move to accept the Finance Report

L Frances-Rees/A Bradley

COL

The current position for the In School Teacher of the COL is due to finish at the end of the year. We need to advertise internally for this position.

Move to advertise internally for an In School Teacher for the COL for 2 years.

L Frances-Rees/V Forrest

Strategy

The Family Fun Night was a great success with a good turnout of families. Parents were more than happy to give their feedback on the questions asked. The Board looked at and discussed the responses given. The Board to look at the new Vision Statement and draft Strategy plan at the next meeting.

Policies

The Board reviewed the following policies:
Health and Safety
Alcohol
Cyber Safety
Bus Transport

Administration:

Correspondence:
Tukutuku Korero – September
Caritas
NZCEO – Annual Report
Education Gazette - October

Move that the minutes of the meeting held 13th September 2022 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

V Forrest/S Cunningham

Meeting Closed 8.30 pm

Next meeting: 6th December 2022 at 6.00 pm

These are a true and accurate record of the St Joseph's School Board of Trustees meeting held 3rd November 2022.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

S Cunningham
Chairperson