

MINUTES OF MOUNT ASPIRING COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 6.00 P.M.

Present: Wayne Bosley, Tracey Gibson, Richard Hemingway (Chair), Diana Schikker, Paul Tamati, John Watherston

In Attendance: Maxine Bird (Secretary), Dean Sheppard, Cameron Flude

Apologies: Johnny Brebner,

CURRICULUM PRESENTATION:

Mathematics

Cameron Flude HOD of Mathematics.

Cameron highlighted Year 9 and 10 which has felt like the lost years. Instead of focussing on what they don't know, he is focussing on what they know; curriculum level tests instead of year level tests. This helps us to target what they know and don't know. This has promoted positive learning conversations not on whether the students are good or bad at something but, this is where I am at now, and this is what I need to get to this point. Staff have been very positive about this new approach. Cameron does feel though that there is still a need for remedial maths help from the year 7 level.

Cameron left.

The need for remedial help was discussed amongst the Board, more demand on this budget from ORS students and reader writers for assessments etc., resources already stretched. Some students are able to source tutor help on a private level and we promote this by allowing them to do this within the school during school time. We have some literacy support with a part time teacher in school and we support those at the other end with our Rutherford programme. Will consider how to evenly resource both literacy and numeracy when budgeting for 2016.

SELF REVIEW:

NAG1

Report back from Diana and Tracey. Work in progress. Should be finalised for October meeting.

REPORTS:

Principal's Report

Wayne has had intentions from staff, with maternity leave and other leave requests, retirements and roll growth there will be up to 10 teacher positions advertised for 2016. MOE provisional staffing number will be out next week.

The new MOE property manager is meeting with Wayne and Ronnie next week. We currently have the North Block and Roll Growth classrooms in planning. Richard indicated that there may be a change to the way that the MOE build classrooms in the future bringing back management of new buildings to the MOE and classrooms being modular. At this stage MAC Minutes.docxO:\EO\Board of Trustees\Board Meetings\2015\8 September\Minutes.docx

have not had this indicated to them, and both major projects are well through the planning stages. It was thought to be timely to get a site plan based on a 1200 student campus.

The Upper Clutha Festival of Sport and Recreation being held at MAC 19 September and utilising our Sports Committee.

We now have a new online incident reporting system and Wayne is looking into this being put on Intermac so that the Board can view. Current Health and Safety legislation puts more onus on the Principal including financial and jail penalties.

The old school car has become uneconomical to repair, putting added pressure on the new one purchased this year. ILC are finding that their increased numbers mean they are needing to use it more than before. Wayne to make a recommendation for the budget.

Property

Written report received by the Board prior to the meeting.

International Learning Centre Report

Written report received by the Board prior to the meeting.

Finance

The minutes of today's finance committee meeting were tabled and discussed.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the previous meeting on 28 July 2015 had been circulated prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 28 July 2015 were a true and accurate record

R. Hemingway/D. Schikker
Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

Te Kura letter to be scanned to Tracey.

RESOLVED: To accept inwards correspondence and endorse outwards correspondence.

T. Gibson/P. Tamati
Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Student Election:

4 candidates nominated: Isabella Berry, Johnny Brebner, Acacia Murray and Carlin Richter. All have spoken to assembly, voting papers out today. Voting closes noon this Friday.

Staff Election:

Decided that we should recall for nominations in term 3.

Maxine Bird nominated as Returning officer for 2015 staff by election.

T. Gibson/J. Brebner
Carried

BOT staff election date set as 30 October 2015.

T. Gibson/J. Brebner
Carried

Foundation

Proposal to sell vacant section between music suite and school. The reason it was bought, access, now no longer relevant. Probably important to protect with a covenant for possible development of back section for hostel or education. Board gave go ahead for valuation/appraisal.

Framework for Strategic Meeting

Richard to email documents for reading prior to our meeting on 22 September:

Future Education Upper Clutha Preliminary Reports (Community consultation)
Community Consultation –last survey
Charter
Themes from curriculum review
Staff survey
ERO report

Objective of meeting:

We need to know by the end of this meeting how we want to consult our community.

What consultation process is required to decide our strategic goals 2017-2020

Ranking a list for putting out to consultation

Give the charter a thorough review

Model consultation on Gabriel's approach, meetings and online survey

Work out a timeline for from here to May 2016

We should not confuse this with the open forum with staff for our annual goals for 2016.

DATES

Next Board meeting: **Tuesday 22 September 2015, 5.30pm**

Special Topics: Strategic Planning meeting

Meeting closed at 8.00pm

Signed as a true copy of the minutes:

Chairperson

Date