

## **NORTHCROSS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL**

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**8 MAY 2018**

**PRESENT:** David Oakley (Chairperson), Jonathon Tredray (Principal), Kevin Faulkner (Executive Officer), Joel King (Staff Trustee), Lynne Potts (Board Secretary), Christina England (DP), Wendy Naidu (DP), Kevin de Jong, Richard Beechey, Gavan Brunton.

**APOLOGIES:** Tania Wansink.

**PRESENTATION:** Electronic Notice Board. Presentation started at 6.28 p.m.

**PRESENTERS:** Mrs Louise McMenamain (Classroom Teacher), Nick Gaze, Taine Hewetson, Cody Phoenix, Igor Cagic (Students from Room 35), Ross Thomson (Signopsys Electronic Signs Limited, Karen Valentine, Angela Gaze, Sarah Phoenix, Zorica and Branislav Cagic.

Jonathon Tredray extended a very warm welcome to the presentation team and their parents.

Igor, Nick, Cody and Taine presented a very informative slide show on their School Sinage Project. The boys informed the Board that at the present time the NX sign at the front gate has to be manually updated. The presentation team had worked with Ross Thomson from Signopsys. They presented two different types of quotes to the Board. Board discussion took place on whether solar power may be an option. Ross Thomson said that at present the warranty for the proposed notice board is for two years only but an extension to three years could be arranged. Discussion took place on a wired or wireless option for the Electronic Sign. The team suggested that the Electronic Sign be placed exactly where the old one is now. David Oakley thanked the presentation team for taking the time with their parents to talk with the Board. He said that the Board would take it under consideration and it is definitely something the Board will be doing in the future. The Presentation Team, Parents, Mrs McMenamain and Ross Thomson left the meeting at 6.35 p.m.

Gavan Brunton a serving member and Raewyn Pevreal an ex board member were acknowledged on their recent bereavement.

#### **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

**EFFECT SIZES:** Jonathon Tredray discussed effect sized both in Yr 7 and Yr8 Reading and Maths results looking in particular at the special character classes. Robust Board discussion took place.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:** The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 27 March 2018 are a true and accurate record. Moved Richard Beechey/Seconded Kevin de Jong. Carried unanimously.

#### **REPORTS:**

**PRINCIPALS:** Jonathon Tredray presented his report to the Board.

**COMMUNITIES OF LEARNING / KAHNI AKO:** 1 June 2018 will be a teacher only day. 300 teachers from within our teaching community will gather to hear presenters promoting health and wellbeing amongst teachers and students.

**NZSTA CONSULTATION-STUDENTS WITH SIGNIFICANT BEHAVIOURABLE NEEDS:** Board discussion took place. The Board has given permission for Christina England to reply to the online survey on behalf of the Board. Moved David Oakley.

**NAG 1 + 2 CURRICULUM REVIEW:** Jonathon Tredray presented a report on How do Parents feel about assessment at Northcross Intermediate School now that National Standards has been removed. Robust Board discussion took place on the survey results. Joel King spoke to the Board from the perspective of a teacher without National Standards, he feels that now teachers will be able to focus more on their teaching and learning instead of focusing on data collection.

**NAG 4 PROPERTY:** Jonathon Tredray has invited all Board members to a walkthrough of the new build to check out progress. Jonathon also thanked both David Oakley and Kevin de Jong for attending the fortnightly meetings with our Project Manager, Shakthi Construction and DLM Architects. Replacement of the main cable running power from the transformer to the block 2 sub board will cost \$24,000.00 due to the existing cable being identified as inferior and no longer compliant under current regulations. Board discussion took place.

**BAG HOOKS IN NLE:** Board discussion took place on the quote of \$16,971.63.

**PRINCIPALS PROPOSAL FOR STUDY TOUR TO FINLAND:** Board discussion took place. The Finland trip takes place from 27 September 2018 to 16 October 2018 during the school holidays. Kevin Faulkner reported that there was enough funds in the PD Budget for Jonathon to attend the study tour. Richard Beechey moves that the trip to Finland be approved/Seconded Joel King. Carried unanimously.

Jonathon Tredray moves that his report be accepted/Seconded Gavan Brunton. Carried unanimously.

**FINANCE:** Kevin Faulkner presented his report to the Board.

**GOVT GRANTS:** Currently registering a shortfall against budget due to the known initial underfunding of the ops grant. This shortfall will be cleared with the July grant.

**LOCALLY RAISED FUNDS:** These are doing better than the budget expectations due to the high volume of uniform sales plus the increased response to our itinerant music programme.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:** We are on track to meet budget expectations.

**LEARNING RESOURCES:** The reliever's budget has taken a hit due to the amazingly high number of staff that have had family bereavements at the start of the term one.

**AUDITORS:** The Auditors were here last week. Following their final assessment the 2017 Financial Statements will be sent off to the MOE by the end of May.

Kevin de Jong moves that the Finance report be accepted/Seconded David Oakley. Carried unanimously.

**STAFF:** Joel King presented his report to the Board.

**ANZAC DAY POETRY COMPETITION:** Two students were winners in the annual competition and read their winning poems in the Hall of Memories at Auckland Museum on Anzac Day. The students were Jack Loft and Lexie Fisher.

**THAILAND:** Twenty students were hosted at our school for a week so they could experience school in New Zealand.

**NH CHAMPS TENNIS:** Joel reported that there were some outstanding results in the girl's team with a first place in the doubles competition, 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the singles. The boy's team came 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the singles and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the doubles.

**COL:** Alison Nowlan and Alex Jung have been appointed as the first Northcross Intermediate Kahui Ako student leaders for the Oneroa Community of Learning.

**BIOTECHNOLOGY:** Students have really been engaged with the learning of beneficial bacteria, yeasts and fungi. The students have been making their own probiotic drinks. Others have been involved with making organic skin products.

**YR 8 FOOD TECHNOLOGY COMMUNITY PROJECT:** As part of the Yr 8 programme this year our students have developed a food product that is budget friendly, healthy and suitable to donate to the Salvation Army Foodbank. Our students have also learnt through this exercise of thinking of others less fortunate than themselves.

**NX ARTS PROJECT THE BIG HOOT EVENT:** Under the leadership of our Art Teacher Amanda Gummer Northcross Students were invited to both design and paint "Little Hoot". This art work was selected to be displayed at Shore City as a fundraiser for the Child Cancer Foundation. Little Hoot has finally come back home to roost at school.

David Oakley moves that the Staff report be accepted. Seconded Kevin de Jong. Carried unanimously.

#### **PROPERTY REPORT:**

**SCHOOL PA SYSTEM UPGRADE:** Part of this was completed over the holidays. Speakers to rooms 46 – 49 have now been installed and adjustments made to the speakers in the Centre of Innovation to make them compatible with the school PA system.

Jonathon Tredray moves that the Property report be accepted/seconded Kevin de Jong. Carried unanimously.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

**JULIA GRIMSDALE:** Letter was received from Julia requesting that the Northcross Intermediate Music and Performing Arts Centre be renamed after Glen Spurdle. Board discussion took place and it was decided that it would be more appropriate for a memorial plaque to be placed on one of the benches adjacent to the astro turf area. Moved David Oakley. Carried unanimously,

**JULIA GRIMSDALE:** Letter was received requesting a memorial plaque in remembrance of Jane Neville. Board discussion took place and the memorial plaque will be placed on one of the benches adjacent to the astro turf area. Moved David Oakley. Carried unanimously.

**ERICA STANFORD MP FOR EAST COAST BAYS:** Private members bill which seeks to abolish the decile system.

**ALANA PRESTWOOD:** Request for maternity leave. Clarification of dates need to be discussed with Alana. Maternity leave has been granted. Lynne Potts is to write a letter for maternity leave. Moved David Oakley. Carried unanimously.

**NZSTA CONFERENCE:** Board discussion took place regarding the conference to be held in Rotorua on 20 July – 22 July 2018. Discussion also took place on the notice of Motion regarding board remuneration. David Oakley is to sign off the remit for the AGM.

Jonathon Tredray moves that the Correspondence be accepted/seconded Joel King. Carried unanimously.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

**NX 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY 2020:** Board discussion took place as to plans on how to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our school. An Open Day will be planned and also all students will receive a 50 Year Badge for their sweatshirts.

**Meeting Closed at 8.30 p.m.**

**Next Meeting will be on the 12 June 2018 at 6.30 p.m.**

**Signed:**

**Chairperson**

**Dated:**