

Mangakotukutuku College Establishment Board Meeting

5.30pm - Tuesday 20th February 2024

Present:

Jackie Woodland, Thilo Govender, Kevin Johnson, Matt Crispe, Dave McNulty, Krissy Witehira, Ratau Turner, Mareta Matenga, Matua Tommy Moana

In Attendance:

Justine Rogers

Apologies:

Sophia Wairoa-Harrison, Tom Scollard, Anthony Rawiri, Alan Smith (MoE)

Absent:

Welcome:

Jackie welcomed all, including 3 parents, Peter Cooper-Davis, Karen Polame and Stuart Cossey

The Board are in agreement that the parents have speaking rights.

Moved by the Chair, seconded by Mareta, all in favour

Peter Cooper-Davis spoke first - concerned about lack of information, he has been across the establishment of the new school and knew about it through Deanwell as they are involved in the calibration. Reading things on social Media (not necessarily accurate information) but not told by the school. Underlying issue with all this, says things have been disingenuous with what comes out, his daughter said people were running around screaming and teachers didn't know what to do, didn't seem to have a clear process and this should be clear, there should have been due diligence around everything knowing the history of the school. He thinks there should be more truthful information. Teachers are here to teach, if support is needed with security MoE should be helping with this not relying on the teachers to do it. He has a really serious concern his children could be in danger

Karen Polame said she is not convinced the school is safe to send her 3 children back to yet. Her son was an eyewitness to the fight. Primary concerns are that she truely believes you can not change what you are not willing to acknowledge. There has been a child injured and without naming them it would be possible to acknowledge that because otherwise the community wont trust the response from the school. If it is being minimised she is less likely to trust the response. She is also concerned that a teacher told her daughter that if students had videos on their device it needed to be deleted. This would make it hard to determine the responsible parties, flagging this as a concern as would be unhelpful. Parents have expressed concerns that some students involved directly in the fight are still at school so don't feel comfortable sending their children back to school. Going forward wants clarity around how the lockdowns are done, she acknowledges how difficult this job would be and living locally has a huge interest in finding a way forward, the only way is to genuinely acknowledge what actually occurred otherwise the community won't trust you.

Stuart Cossey has said everyone needs to be transparent, some community are against this merger so fighting an uphill battle so needs to be straight up with everything. How does building fences help the security of the students when the fight was in the school grounds. Ministry needs to help more. Mixing Seniors with Juniors - is this an issue? Concerned about the staff, worried about the bad press and staff retention, if this keeps happening why would staff want to work here.

Peter would like us to all work together, if we need help he would be more than happy to help us.

	Action	Timeframe
1.4 Previous Minutes		
Read as true and correct		
Moved: Krissy Seconded: Ratau		
No conflict of interest		
Matters Arising		
Buses have been sorted		
2. Reports		
2.1 Presiding Member Report		
Received and Read		
 Check Code of Conduct, make sure you are working with in it Personal Development plan with Jean Patterson, expectation of SLT, they do not have to be there but to be invited. 		
2.2 Principal Report Received and Read		
- As at 18 February 873 students enrolled		
- Local Feeder schools started last week		
- New staff, Joseph Kunnil fixed term for maternity leave, need to advertise for additional support staff, library		
Assistant, Caretaker/Gardener and Payroll Officer - Timetable committee working hard to have subject choices and classes correct		
- Covid and illness taking a toll on staff with many absent		
 Entered into partnership with Waikato University to host student teachers, 3 will be joining us 		
- Asset Register has been received for 2023 for MIS, 2022 for MHS		
- Parts of school to be cleaned and tidied by PD people		

- Thank you toDave and Matt for donating 50 plants to the school	
 Buildings at the entrance of the school have had roos washed and some painting completed 	
- Onsite security remains a top priority	
- Bus interchange has been completed - effective 19 February	
- Lockdown situation discussed	
- Well-being of staff a priority	
- Year 13 camp held in Raglan a great success	
- Do the rest of the Board want to donate for plants? School will pay the invoice and people will pay the school as a donation.	
2.3 Governance Facilitators Report	
No Report	
2.4 Mana Whenua Report	
No Report	
No Report	
All Reports Tabled, Seconded: Dave , All in favour	
3. Committee Reports	
3.1 Policy	
- To discuss schedule, changed name of school, date approved, delegation to Tumuaki, ordering fixed assets to	
be explained to Board, signing of internet transfers, interview with Media, distribution of media releases,	
delegation to specific SLT delegations. Samantha Frook-Term One, Peter O'Leary-Term Two	
3.2 Personnel	
No Report	
3.3 Finance	
Verbal	
- EDI Funding included , 5YA funding-furniture?	
- Income for donations - has been increased	
- Main point is that we have put in a specific budget for security	

 Surplus rolls over from 2023 Dave queried the Polaris vehicle - but worth thinking about due to the size of the campus 	
Matt Moves the Motion to ratify the Budget	
3.4 Property Verbal	
 Regulations of school house have to go through Colliers, MoE didn't tell us this so we went through an agent and have now lost money, tenants have also had to pay extra Bond. SEPE report to be done 	
Tabled, Seconded: Matt	
3.5 Media	
No Report	
3.6 Health and Safety	
No Report	
3.7 Uniform	
No Report	
3.8 Funding	
No Report	
Moved all Reports are accepted, Seconded: Matt	
4. Correspondence	
In: Letter from Shontelle Woodman - Public Excluded Business was done online Out: Thank you letter to Manager of Glenview Club	
Accepted	

5. General Business	
 Jackie moved that we form a disciplinary committee for suspension meetings starting on Thursday, Seconded: Mareta Confirmed as Jackie, Dave and Krissy 	
5.1 In-Committee	

Meeting closed 8.13pm

Next meeting: Tuesday 16th April, 5.30pm