



**TAURANGA
BOYS' COLLEGE**

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Minutes of the Meeting of
Tauranga Boys' College Board of Trustees
Monday 16th August 2021 - 4.30pm
Tauranga Boys' College Boardroom

Present: Mr Richard Craven (Chair), Mrs Nikki Iuli (Deputy Chair), Mr Rob Warner (Staff Rep), Mr Stan Urwin (Trustee), Johnlees Faulkner (Student Rep), Simon Oldham (Trustee), Amanda Gilbertson (Trustee).

Apologies: Mr Robert Mangan (Principal)

In Attendance: Mrs Janine Goldthorpe (Board Secretary)

Conflict of Interest Register

- Board members were asked to update the Conflicts of Interest Register that may have arisen whilst a school trustee.
- Conflict recorded - Veni Iuli (husband of trustee N Iuli) employed by Tauranga Boys' College as a Basketball Coach.

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

(*Motion No: 1*) **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 28th June 2021 be accepted as a true and correct record of that meeting.

*Moved: Craven
Seconded: Oldham*

Matters Arising:

- **Sport BOP Lease**
The Sport BOP Lease has been completed by the Ministry of Education and will be forwarded to Sport BOP for signing.

2. Correspondence Inwards

- Letter of resignation from Peter Young (Mathematics), effective from 27th January 2022.
- Letter of resignation from Ashleigh Yates (Drama & English), effective from 27th January 2022.

(*Motion No: 2*) **RESOLVED** that the Board ratify and endorse the resignations received.

*Moved: Craven
Seconded: Gilbertson
Carried*

- Letter from Ministry of Education re: Application from the Board of Te Kura o Te Moutere o Matakana seeking to change the range of year levels at the school from Year 1 to Year 10.
- *The Board understands the desire to be a Yr 1 - 10 Kura. The Board does have concerns for students regarding the increased challenge of transition from Yr 10 to Yr 11 compared with Yrs 8 to 9. Also, they will be disadvantaged by the limited range of options available and range of extra-curricular options that they could access at large mainstream schools such as Tauranga Boys' College and Tauranga Girls' College.*
- Letter from the Ministry of Education re: Consultation on Designation of Te Kura o Te Moutere o Matakana
- *The Board expressed their agreement of the Kura being designated a special character Māori immersion Kura.*

(Motion No: 3) **RESOLVED** that the Board's feedback regarding Te Kura o Te Moutere o Matakana be forwarded to the Ministry of Education

*Moved: Craven
Seconded: Iuli
Carried*

(Motion No: 4) **RESOLVED** that the Inwards correspondence be received and the Outwards correspondence be endorsed.

*Moved: Craven
Seconded: Gilbertson
Carried*

3. Principal's Report

- The Principal's Executive Summary was circulated prior to the meeting.

Roll

The roll numbers have held up despite increased employment opportunities out in the community. An extra large school roll is anticipated next year and also the following year based on enrolment numbers.

Open Evening

The College Open Evening will be held on Wednesday 18th August in the Gym. Out of zone enrolments close on 6th September and following that a ballot will be undertaken to create a waiting list.

Planning and Reporting

The current Governance Policies Nos: 1 - 11 were circulated for review at the Board meeting and then the remaining Policies at the September Board meeting. Suggestions as to additional policies that need to be included are welcomed. A hard copy of the Governance policies will be supplied to all Board Members.

Curriculum Annual Reports

Over the last two weeks of Term Two, meetings were held with Heads of Curriculum to discuss their Annual Reports. These reports are a comprehensive summary of academic achievement in 2020 and are available for Board members to view via the link below:

[Curriculum Annual Reports](#)

Student Representative on the BOT

Thank you to Johnlees Faulkner for his leadership in this role representing the student body over the last 12 months. Johnlees has done a fine job and brings a student perspective to the Board. Nominations are now open for 2022 candidates.

Student Learning - Ako a te ākongā

We continue to complement in-class teaching with online lessons. Rhian Elmes, Acting Assistant Principal, Distance Learning and Engagement is doing a great job in this regard, continuing to engage with learners who are working from home.

Senior Assessment Week

This will take place in Week 8. Teachers are currently working through NCEA internals and will then prepare the boys for external exams. During Senior Assessment week students are released on study leave, only attending school for their examinations. This is to give them practice with the study leave they will have when undertaking external exams. Study leave will commence in early November in preparation for the external NCEA exams that will occur over November and early December.

Academic Excellence

It has been a real pleasure to recognise a large number of boys who passed university papers earning an A+, A or A-. These results were noted in the newsletter but for your convenience a list of these students is **attached** to this report.

Option Selection

We are beginning this process in the school for 2022. It will be completed online and accessible through the college website. Thank you to Rob Gilbert for his work in streamlining this process; it will be a very user-friendly process with a significant amount of information available to students and parents.

Enrolment

The enrolment process is now available online for in-zone students. Thank you to Rob Gilbert and Leyton Watson for their work with this process. Leyton and his team visited a number of contributing schools and also hosted a Principal (or their representative) for lunch here at the college to strengthen the relationship and ensure the process is fully understood.

Pastoral

Pastoral figures from Term 2 are **attached** with one exclusion occurring during the Term 2 holidays. This was a young man who had assaulted a staff member. He presented to the Board meeting in a very negative fashion and the Board was unanimous in their decision that Tauranga Boys' College was not the right environment for him. Otherwise the playground has been generally well settled, especially considering the student numbers.

Culture - Ahurea

Service

The Term 3 focus is on service as a whole school community. We have again elected to support the Foodbank as a charity and will hold a Foodbank appeal targeting Week 4 and Week 5 of the term. This occurs via a House competition and is well received by the students with their response being very generous. The House competition generates a competitive spirit as well as a willingness to provide support for those in need within our local community.

Another service aspect is required of our Prefects who are tasked with selling raffle tickets for Plunket. This is an initiative of the Association of Boys' School NZ where all boys' schools are supporting this Plunket fundraiser. The connection of boys supporting mothers is a strong marketing aspect of the initiative. Our Prefects have been working alongside Kahui Ako schools providing leadership and role modelling and physical support in a number of areas. The Prefects return to their Primary or Intermediate school and this connection strengthens our relationship with these contributing schools whilst also providing an opportunity for our Prefect leaders to give back.

Kapa Haka

Our Tauranga o Nga Waka combined TBC & TGC Kapa Haka group performed outstandingly at the end of Term 2 although were unplaced in the regional Kapa Haka competition. The creativity and work of Edward Te Moana from TIS has been acknowledged and the college also recognised Te Kirikau Blake on placing first equal in the male leadership category and the group on gaining 3rd place in the Haka.

Effective Teaching and Learning - Ako

In the final week of Term 2 a Community of Learning Kahui Ako Teacher Only Day was held. My thanks to the Board members who attended part of that presentation. This was a day where the 16 Kahui Ako schools came together with a theme of cultural responsiveness and Te ao Maori and was an excellent opportunity for all teachers across the schools to gather and be involved in professional learning.

An NCEA Teacher Only Day was held on Wednesday 11th August. This was one of the days established under the Accord and granted by the MOE to enable teachers to prepare for the NCEA changes that will occur over the next few years. The focus of this day was on looking at the NCEA level 1 changes. Tauranga Boys' College took a lead and enabled Jumbo Days to be held where different schools hosted teachers in each of the different curriculum areas at their school. Those involved in teaching across the Western BOP in one particular curriculum area e.g. English gathered at one school where they were hosted and reviewed the NCEA material that has been produced to date. Another of these days is to be held on the 2nd December which is better placed for our Seniors as they will be away on study leave.

Professional Learning Groups

These groups continue on a Tuesday morning and are well received by teaching staff at the college. They are facilitated by our Kahui Ako Within School Teachers (WST) and are supported by our Across School Teacher (AST) Michelle Ormsby.

Principals Professional Learning

The Principal will attend the BOPPA Secondary School Principals' conference in Taupo on the evening of Thursday 12th and Friday 13th August. This will be an opportunity to network with colleagues. The focus of the conference is 'Going Global'.

Personnel

- Resignation received from Mr Peter Young who plans to retire at the end of this year.
- Resignation received from Ms Ashleigh Yates who is going to travel overseas to Scotland to spend some time with her partner.
- Adam Garner has been employed (Adam is an Old Boy of the college and also taught here from 2008 - 2010). Adam will take over from Kristy Davison who shortly commences her parental leave. With Kristy going on leave, Tevita Banuve has been

appointed to look after the cultural aspects of the Pacific Tutor role and Rob Warner will pick up the academic support role of the Pacifica Tutor role. We are grateful to both of these staff for taking up this opportunity.

Resources

Finance

See the July minutes *attached* in regards to Finance. A meeting is planned next week with the Huppman's who are parents of the school and who had offered to make a donation towards the installation of solar power at the school. They approached me again to say that if solar power implementation was too complex they are willing to make a donation to another area of the school. I look forward to a successful meeting with them.

Property

- 12 classroom Block.

Preliminary investigative work has been undertaken for the extension of the existing car park over the existing cricket nets. The time frame remains the same with an optimistic start to this build of 2022.

- Multipurpose Facility

A timeline has been created for the development of this now that funding has been secured and approval provided from the MOE.

- Music Block

The design aspects of this are currently being completed. I am optimistic that a start will be made to seek contractors to complete this build in the new year.

- Tiger Turf Wicket

This has been discussed at a Finance subcommittee level and will be discussed more fully with the full Board. The final cost of this is \$37,500 and means that we will get a multi-purpose Tiger Turfed, covered surface. This will be all weather and enable temporary nets to be established for cricket and also an area where Hockey can warm up and other teams can practice when the fields preclude full practice during wet weather.

Health and Safety

The college continues to be cognisant of the issue that Covid plays in the community, noting recent issues at the Tauranga Port with port workers potentially being exposed to positive Covid cases. We are mindful that at any stage we may end up with a Level 3 or Level 4 lockdown. Staff have been reminded of the importance of complementing classroom delivery with online lessons. We also monitor any students who are self-isolating or whose family may have been exposed to Covid through recent travel to Australia.

On the morning of Tuesday 10th August we had an issue in the Admin block with a water leak. It quickly became evident that electrical wires were also involved and shorting out due to the leak. The Admin block was required to be closed for 2.5 hours whilst remedial work was undertaken. Classes continued to operate in the top level of the Admin block with no element of danger to them whilst Admin staff relocated to the GYYT and staffroom and continued to work.

During lunchtime on the same day, we were informed by the Police of a suspected armed robbery at the dairy on the corner of Fraser St and 15th Avenue. As a result, we initiated lockdown procedures. The suspected offender was apprehended and an all clear was given. The students responded well to the lockdown with staff assuring them that they were not at risk and Period 5 and 6 continued as normal.

Co-Curricular

Sporting Success

Congratulations has been extended to our 1st XI Football team who won the NZ Super 8 Schools Football Tournament and to our Senior A Basketball team who also won the NZ Super 8 Schools Basketball Competition. In addition last weekend our Senior A Squash team picked up the NZ Secondary Schools title after being runner up for the last two years and our Rugby 1st XV completed their season defeating Gisborne Boys' High School 54 - 0 meaning they ended up in 4th place, on the Super 8 ladder. An outstanding result and a target that the team had set for themselves at the start of the year. A number of teams are currently preparing for Winter Tournament Week where we will have significant representation across the country.

4. Sub-Committee Reports

- **Titans Sport Council Trust**

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd August 2021 were taken as read.

- **General Business**

Multipurpose Facility - confirmation of funding breakdown required to complete an application for Ministry Consent.

- Titans Trust - \$200,000
- TECT Community Trust - \$150,000
- MOE - \$130,000
- Board of Trustee funds - \$100,000
- Lion Foundation - \$57,000

(Motion No: 5) **RESOLVED** that the funding breakdown for the Tauranga Boys' College Multipurpose Facility is approved as above

*Moved: Craven
Seconded: Urwin
Carried*

Meeting concluded at 5.50 pm

Next Meeting: Monday 20th September

Chairperson: _____