



Minutes of the Rodney College Board of Trustees meeting held in the staff room on Wednesday 30th November 2022

Present: Jason Warahi, (Chairperson), Irene Symes (Principal), Edwina Came, Rachel Brierly, James Hackett, Charlotte Eyre (Staff Trustee), Jeremiah Guevara (Student Trustee), Stephen Rowe (Acting Principal).

Absent: Kent Watson-Walker

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- **Meeting opened:** Jason opened the meeting earlier at 6.10pm, due to the Dome closing at 8pm, and welcomed everyone to the last meeting of the year.

1. **Apologies:** No apologies
2. **Declarations of Interest:** on the agenda for the 30 November 2022 meeting: None
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting:** The minutes of the 26th October 2022 meeting were approved as a true record with corrections under section one as confirmed.

Moved: James Seconded Rachel Carried 001/30 Nov 2022

4. **Matters arising:**
Springboard Trust Principals PLD 2023 – Irene advised that she has withdrawn her interest in this PLD after further information on the content was made available.
5. **Correspondence:**
ERO 2023 - Jason advised correspondence received from ERO is to confirm a review will begin in term 1 2023.

Izard Trust - 2022 Grant request to be considered under Matters for Decision

Moved: Jason Seconded: Edwina Carried 002/30 Nov 2022

6. **Principal's Report:**
Irene presented her report to the board and included details on student achievement data provided in the graphs.

Contributing Schools - Irene expressed concern that students from our main feeder schools are choosing to go to other secondary schools, following discussion it was agreed we may need to begin marketing Rodney College to promote what is offered if the roll continues to drop.

Equity Funding - Irene explained the new EQI funding method being used by MOE to provide schools with funding, in addition to core funding to be used to work in different ways to reduce the impact of socio-economic factors have on student achievement. The MOE has replaced decile funding with an EQI, ranging between 344 - 569 with the higher EQI indicating a school is facing a greater number of socio-economical barriers to student learning. The EQI number given to Rodney College is 484 and results in additional categories of funding

including Support for Inclusion of around 192K, while previous targeted funding of \$82K has been removed.

Employment 2023 - details were provided about several changes in staffing for 2023 including resignations and appointments and Irene confirmed we will commence 2023 fully staffed.

Acting Principal - Irene acknowledged and thanked Stephen for his great work over the past three terms in the role of Acting Principal covering her absence on sick leave.

Audit work - Irene also thanked Paulene (EO) for her work with the auditors this year.

Junior Prize-Giving - the Junior Prize-giving will take place from 10.45 - 12.15 on Friday 2nd December and Irene extended a warm invitation to board members to join staff at the end of year luncheon at the Bridgehouse in Warkworth, on Friday 2nd December at 12.30pm.

Irene thanked the board for their unfaltering support to her during her absence in 2022 to focus on her health, she has returned to work this week.
The Principal's report was moved:

Moved: Irene Seconded: Jason Carried 003/30 Nov 2022

7. **Discipline Report** was discussed.

8. **Finance:**

Finance Reports October 2022 - Jason advised the Finance Committee met prior to the board meeting and reviewed the reports and accounts for October 2022, and advised the meeting recommended the board approves accounts for payment for October 2022 of \$335991.43.

Moved: Jason Seconded: Edwina. Carried 004/30 Nov 2022

9. **Matters for Discussion:**

School Uniform - Irene explained how it's the Deans responsibility to manage student uniform/enforcement and that the uniform is reviewed annually. Jason asked that staff hear the feedback from the board of their wish to see an improvement in students wearing the uniform.

10. **Policy:**

Policy Committee - board members agreed with Edwina's request to include Rachel on the policy committee and for them both to work over the next few weeks through any outstanding policies that have missed review this year.

11. **Property Report:**

Irene, Stephen & Paulene provided a verbal update on property.

5YA projects DQLs projects - are to commence from 5th Dec in the Gym upgrade which includes a full paint, removal of the climbing wall and the installation of an interior roller door to provide better and easier access for equipment storage. The gym is also to be fully painted and have its internal ceiling lowered, along with lights upgraded to LED. The Food room units and chiller, installing the new dust extraction unit in wood room and removing asbestos benches in metal room. This is stage one of the projects that was split as the tender received on GETS was beyond MOE funding, and it was important to get as much work from the 5YP underway during the term break as possible. Stage two will involve

window replacement in metal and the development of the hospitality features in the food room, including creating the theory room between fabric and food.

Security Gate - top of the gym driveway. Discussion over the location of the security gate by the Gym. It was then agreed it should be placed at the top of the drive by the entrance ramp to the mezzanine floor and the woodwork building.

12. Health & Safety: Jason read the report.

13. Strategic Plan: No discussion

14. General Business:

BOT Members Group Email Addresses: – Kieran (New Era) will be asked to arrange the dedicated email address for all BOT correspondence with members.

BOT Morning Tea – Edwina suggested the BOT provides morning tea for the staff on Friday 11th November. BOT members were invited to attend.

MEETING CLOSED 9.20 pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 1st February 2023 at 5.30pm.

With a BBQ to begin at the home of Jason and Jo Warahi - 37 McGillivray Road, Wellsford.

Signed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

.....Jason Warahi.
Chairperson, Rodney College Board of Trustees.

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EXCLUSIONS/EXPLUSIONS							
SUSPENSIONS							
Year Level	No:	Male	Female	NZ Maori	Cook Is M	Pakeha	Other
9							
10							
11							
12							
13							
Totals:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reason:							
TOTAL:							

STAND-DOWNS							
Year Level	No:	Male	Female	NZ Maori	Cook Is M	Pakeha	Other
9	6	6		1		5	
10	2	2		2			
11							
12							
13							
Totals:	8	8	0	3	0	5	0
Reason							
harmful or dangerous behaviour		5					
vandalism		3					
TOTAL:		8					

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Running total for Suspensions YTD

Year Level	No:	Male	Female	NZ Maori	Cook Is M	Pakeha	Other
9	1	1				1	
10							
11							
12							
13							
Totals:	1	1	0	0	0	1	0

EXCLUSIONS/EXPULSIONS YTD

			1				
Exclusions at Nov 2021							
Total suspensions at Nov 2021			2				0
Total suspensions at Nov 2020			1				1
Total suspensions at Nov 2019			5				2

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Running total for Stand Downs YTD

Year Level	No:	Male	Female	NZ Maori	Cook Is M	Pakeha	Other
9	25	22	3	15		10	
10	36	23	13	26		7	3
11	11	8	3	3		8	
12	7	7				6	1
13	1	1				1	
Totals:	80	61	19	44	0	32	4

Total stand downs at Nov 2021

50

Total stand downs at Nov 2019

49

Total stand downs at Nov 2020

24