



Minutes of the Rodney College Board of Trustees meeting held on Wednesday 28th July 2021 In the Rodney College Staffroom

Present: Jason Warahi, (Chairperson), Edwina Came, Alan Batten, Mikaila Isla, Richard Pride, Clare Hayward, Irene Symes (Principal).

Apologies: Richard Pride, Kent Watson-Walker.

Meeting Opened: Jason opened the meeting at 6.33pm and welcomed everyone along. Special welcome back to Irene on her return from Sabbatical.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting:

Minutes of the meeting held 30th June 2021 were approved.

Moved: Jason

Seconded: Clare

Carried

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2. Matters arising:

Survey Questions – being considered for inclusion on the PST Survey are:

- Note one thing about Rodney College - good or otherwise
- Uniform Code
- School Lunch Scheme - Comments
- Cell Phone

3. Declarations of Interest in the 28th July 21 meeting Agenda: None

4. Correspondence: None

5. Principal's Report:

Irene acknowledged the sudden passing of former Principal Dave Ormandy and his contribution to Rodney College. Several staff and students represented the School at his service held in Warkworth during the term break.

Sabbatical Leave Report – Irene thanked the board for the opportunity to take her Sabbatical Leave in Term 2, 2021 which had been delayed by 12 months due to the Covid19 Pandemic in 2019. Irene discussed the details her report.

The Principal's report was moved:

Moved: Irene

Seconded: Jason

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6. Discipline Report - was discussed.

7. Finance:

Reports: Jason advised the Finance Committee reviewed the reports for June 2021 prior to the board meeting. Reports indicated 50% expenditure. The report was accepted.

Moved: Jason Seconded: Irene

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Accounts for Payment: As recommended by the Finance Committee the Accounts for June 2021 of \$317301.06 were approved.

Moved: Jason Seconded: Edwina

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8. Matters for Decision:

Lease - The finance committee recommends the board approves a lease for 31 Chromebooks @ \$14780 paid over 3 years. This lease replaces a 3-year lease due to finish in August, for 31 Chromebooks and 13 Chromeboxes & Monitors. To maintain finance cost of the school's total value of leases within the 10% permitted allowance, it was decided to retain the Chromeboxes within the lease rather than renew. These items, which are available in the Library are used by students, mostly for research, are expected to give at further 2/3 years' service.

Moved: Jason Seconded: Alan

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Rodney Area Transport Risk Management Register - following discussion, the Register was approved.

Moved: Irene Seconded: Clare

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9. Policy: No Policy this meeting.

10. Property Report:

A verbal update of all projects currently underway was provided by Irene.

11. Health & Safety:

The updated Accident Register was read to the meeting by Jason.

12. Strategic Plan:

The distributed report of the achievement of the Term 2 goals was discussed and approved.

13. General Business:

Student Instagram Survey - Mikaila created a survey inviting students to respond to, "Are you happy with School right now", with reply options to select of Yes or No. Between 40 to 50 students from Rodney College replied, with 31% (mostly juniors) indicating Yes and 69% No. Three were not from RC. Those not happy were students at Yr 11 – 13 levels. Respondents could also message Mikaila about School or anything they wanted to talk about. Some who replied in writing indicated workload was an issue for them.

Year 13 Leadership Group – Irene commended the many positive initiatives the year 13 leadership group is involved with this year, and noted they are a great bunch of students.

MEETING CLOSED 7.42pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 6.30pm. 25th August 2021.

Signed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

.....Jason Warahi.

Chairperson, Rodney College Board of Trustees.