



Minutes of Board Meeting 5:00pm Thursday 17 September 2015

ATTENDEES: Ross Scholz , Anne Robinson (Principal), Kaye Stevens (Associate Principal), Richard Kardol (Program Coordinator), Yvonne Scott (Business Manager), Matt Turner, Mick Wainwright, Bruce Sherborne, Alannah MacTiernan (Member for Perth), Darren Harrop (Accountant), Susan Main (Education ECU), Matthew Young (Agricultural Advisory Committee), Yvonne Caldwell (P&C President)

1.0	Welcome and apologies	ACTIONS
1.1	Opening and welcome.	
1.2	Apologies: Crawford Taylor, Paul McLoughlin	
2.0	Chair Items	
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3.0	Minutes of previous meeting	
3.1	Review of previous minutes and agenda from 7 May 2015. Moved true and correct copy Mick Wainwright, Seconded Yvonne Caldwell	
3.2	Actions arising from the previous meeting: To be covered in agenda items	
4.0	Reports	
4.1	<p>Financial Reports</p> <p>Darren Harrop met with Yvonne Scott several times and attended Finance Meetings. Core areas becoming issues:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Debtors – no easy solution, perhaps Board can consider policies etc. in future. Currently some debts written off. Sensitive area – becoming more widespread. There is a possibility to look to school funds or external sources as part of strategies. 2. Budget for curriculum items allocated. Much discussion Finance meetings re new curriculum items – changes – eg library gates. 3. Main document is Oneline budget. What Board needs to sign off on. Looking at ways of assessing projections/if on track or not. 4. Cash perspectives – school very healthy expecting reasonable surplus. Need – plan for surplus and rationale. Comparative budget indicates whether on track or not. <p><i>Motion: All Financial Reports as tabled be accepted</i> Moved: Yvonne C Seconded: Mick Wainwright Passed.</p> <p>Subject changes for 2016 presented for consideration. Most costs same – some new causes and some minor increases (\$2-\$5). Reasonable amount of work completed to justify increases</p> <p><i>Motion: Recommend acceptance of Subject changes</i> Moved: Matt Seconded: Yvonne C Passed.</p>	<p>Suggest Darren liaise with Anne and Yvonne S to 'drill down'</p>

4.2	<p>Business Plan Draft tabled for discussion</p> <p>Discussion re Vision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emphasise 'school' – education • Need clear focus eg achieve state average or better or aim for attainment level • Individuals achieving high levels, while school not so much • Need opportunity for young people to achieve • Consider including 'end state' – what aiming for? • Embracing Indigenous Program – whole cohort lifts – students not working in isolation. • Drafts 1 & 2 a bit passive – need more active • Concern re standards eg basic maths – how lift student achievement • Need intensive programs – does remediation happen? (Yes) eg ESU, Reading Eggs • Perhaps refer to Education Committee • Consider – confident, resilient, successful learners as part of Vision • Need whole school/community to buy into Vision 'Culture' 	Education Committee to present proposal for final Vision to next Board Meeting – 29 October 2015
4.3	<p>School Farm updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paraders Day today – well attended • North East Sub Regional Planning Doc <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Shows Kiara farm as all urban – none identified as park/rec etc. ○ Therefore put in submission re keeping part for farm ○ Requested 12 hectares (not 8 as in previous discussions) ○ Support from other groups eg Swan Valley Grape Growers ○ Some urban development good ie increase catchment ○ Process – submission will be considered by Planning Commission ○ Land needs to be rezoned to be used for urban ○ If not rezoned – less financial incentive for Government to implement development ○ Some consideration of Kiara TAFE site (next to Police Station) ○ City of Swan waiting to see proposals. Already have passed motion supporting both farm and school remaining ○ Query if asking for 12ha rather than 8 will need more rallies etc. ○ Lobbying political reps to include position on issue in their policies eg commitment to urban school farms ○ Submissions closed end July • Water <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ School has approved water lease. Insufficient allocation for intensive irrigation section. Will appeal • 2 Ag Advisory meetings. 1 staff change (Michael) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ag Trust Fund – school quite successful. New chemical storage \$7000, new sheep shelter \$30000 • Royal Show coming soon. Skillshare. All Ag Colleges and Kiara, Pinjarra, Kelmscott etc. (Year 10's). Range – wool processing – assessing. Sheep stud creating very good name. • Rabobank – 8 students went to host farms in Geraldton. Rural commerce – farm/crayfishing etc • Primary visits continuing. More vegetables etc on site. Need strong case to justify 12ha 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farm house currently empty – when job advertised this is to be included. • Concern re \$30000 expenditure on a sheep shelter. Best use of funds?. Can be debated – some possibility of other priorities 	
4.4	<p>Fogarty Foundation Application</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aim to build leadership team at school • Help school stay on track – develop plans to implement vision • \$10000 per year for mentoring etc • Fogarty Foundation good reviews – do expect 3 year commitment from leadership team. • Start 2016 <p><i>Motion: That if accepted then School Board approves payment of \$10000</i> Moved: Ross Seconded: Darren H Passed.</p>	
5.0	Principal's Items	
5.1	<p>Local Intake Area – adjustments Proposed future secondary school near Woolcott New map available on schools online</p>	
5.2	<p>NAPLAN 2015 – Year 7 & 9 Numeracy a concern Reading priority for last 2 years – pleasing to see improvement. Need to maintain focus on all. Achieved well against like schools. Target to decrease gap with State.</p>	
5.3	<p>OLNA 2015 – Year 10 & 11 WACE – Identifying students at risk not achieving OLNA. What strategies are in place? <i>Motion – to identify school who has made significant progress and organise them to address Board</i> Moved – Alannah Seconded - Darren</p>	Alannah & Susan – identify school who has made significant progress and organise them to address Board.
5.4	<p>2016 Predict Numbers – report tabled</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retention rates • Primary school patterns • 4? Applications for scholarships • Yr 10 to Yr 11 - strong ATAR subject selection • Yr 11 remain until end of the school year <p>Need to identify total number of Yr6 students in PS and how many didn't choose here - %Private/Public. Link to catchment area/vs primary feeder school. Proposed – Chair writes to Sharon O'Neill – Board very focussed on change – requesting assistance</p>	Ross
5.5	<p>Delivery and Performance Agreement (DPA) – signed by the Director General, College Board Chair and Principal</p>	
5.6	<p>2016 College Development Days 6 planned – 3 Term 1, 1 Term 3, 1.5 Term 4. Moved – Alannah Seconded - Susan</p>	
6.0	Other Business	
6.1	<p>Delivery and Performance Agreement – signed by Chair and Principal for Director General</p>	
7.0	Next Meeting – Handout: Calendar T3-4 2015 and 2016	

7.1	Thursday 29 October 2015, 5:00pm	
8.0	Roundtable evaluation	
	Vision – Difference, Open, Performance, Staff Issues, Changes; Fresh Approach	
9.0	Meeting close	
	Meeting closed at 7:30pm	

College Board Chairperson, Ross Scholz

Signature: _____

Date: _____