

MINUTES OF THE ALFREDTON SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES

30th JUNE 2021 @ 6PM

CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME

Present: *Katie Falloon, Alison Hill, Lesley Rogers, Rob Foreman, Robin Gardner, Kate McKay, Johanna McKenzie, Fiona Healey (minute secretary)*

Apologies:

Absent:

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Rob Foreman – Son in law of Shona Godfrey (Bus Driver)

Johanna McKenzie – Daughter in law of Sue McKenzie (Librarian and Gardener)

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION: The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 19th May 2021 are accepted as read and that the minutes accepted as read are a true and accurate record.

Moved: Katie / Second: Kate

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- School Pool Insurance is sorted, Electronics and Building are covered.
- Robin has brought a lock to make PE room secure.

STRATEGIC DISCUSSIONS/DECISIONS

1.1 Policy Review

- Visitors – No change required

MONITORING AND REVIEW (including PRINCIPALS REPORT)

2.1 Finance

- *Finance Report provided by Johanna. Please see attached report*

MOTION: Accounts to be ratified to the end of May

Moved: Katie / Second Alison

2.2 Health and Safety

- Health and Safety Report provided by Lesley. Please see attached report.

2.3 Property

- Property Report provided by Rob. Please see attached report.

2.4 Bus

- Bus report provided and read out by Katie. Please see attached report.

2.5 Principal's Report

- Principal's report provided by Alison. Please see attached report.
- Strategic plan needs to link with NELP.
- Surveys are to be sent out to families.

2.6 General Business

- **School House –**
- *Had broken windows, \$450 excess for insurance, Ziggys Glass will come out and fix broken windows.*
- *Met with Ailsa Hempo from Property Brokers Pahiatua for a property appraisal, estimated rental income \$300 per week, rental management fee 11% (inclusive) of a weekly rental income.*
- *Kitchen extractor – there is an issue with the school house as the window sits above the oven where a range hood/extractor would go. Will have to explore options (fan in the window?) or apply for an exemption.*
- *Interior painting – approx \$4000*
- *Restrict access from house to school*
- *Add to the contract that we need the house back if a teacher needs the use of it.*
- *Do we need to contain Asbestos in Garage*
- *Just paint what needs painting*
- *Possibly supply new curtains in the future*
- *Katie to get quote from Managh Electrical for kitchen extractor.*
- **Native Garden – a report was presented by Kate McKay**
- *Met with Sarah Falloon, a freshwater advisor from Horizons Regional Council. She thought this was a worthwhile project and suggested we apply for a Community Grant from the Manawatu River Leader's Accord.*

- *Plan is to restore the existing steep to native habitat, essentially creating a wetland. We also hope to bulk out the planting in the rest of the area and create an outdoor learning space.*
- *An application is currently being prepared and a budget has been done for the project. Have tried to keep the total value of the project below \$10,000 to avoid MOE approval and to improve our chances of receiving the grant.*
- *Applying for approx. \$7117.14. The total cost of the project is \$9982.14 (at this stage, waiting on 2 quotes for bamboo removal and lime) and we can deduct a community contribution value of \$2865.00 to get the funding requirement of \$7117.14*
- *It is a community project and The River Leaders' Accord look favourably on community involvement and support – have accounted for this in budget, the plan to have a community planting day next winter, and will be requesting letters of support from the catchment group, Alison and a parent.*
- *The objectives of the project are below for approval (will be on the application):*
 - *The objectives are of the Alfredton School wetland project are to enable our students and community to:*

Restore the drain and seep back into native habitat to protect and grow its biodiversity.

Understand how the native trees they will plant and care for will contribute to cleaner waterways. They will learn and understand that their wetland will sequester carbon resulting in purer water, cleaner air, and the promotion of biodiversity.

Understand the principle of Kaitiakitanga and what it means to be guardians and protectors of the land and its people.

To create an aesthetically engaging natural space that serves the school community as an outdoor teaching and learning area, and the wider community as a recreational space to appreciate native flora and fauna.

The only obstacle at the moment is how to engage the local iwi/hapu? Could we approach Wyn Davidson for advice.

If SIP funding is approved we can use it to buy new picnic tables for school and move old ones to the garden, and possibly get some signage.

Correspondence Inwards:

Correspondence Outwards:

Next Meeting Date:

- 18th August 2021, 6pm

Meeting closed: 7.20PM

