# 2020/10/19 Western Springs College - Ngā Puna O Waiōrea Board Meeting held In the Staffroom at 6pm

Attendees	
Ivan Davis (ID)	Principal
Carol Gunn (CG)	WSC Parent Rep(Chairperson)
Craig Moller (CM)	WSC Parent Rep
Linda Pirrit (LP)	WSC Parent Rep
Belinda Drake (BD)	WSC Parent Rep
Christine Goodes (GS)	Secretary
MJ Thompson (MJT)	Whanau Rep
Rob Coltman (RC)	WSC Parent Rep
Chris Selwyn (CS)	Tumuaki
Tracey Watkinson (TW)	Waiōrea Whanau Rep
Maia McRoberts (MM)	Student Rep WSC (in support role)
Te Huia Kouratoras	Student Rep NPOW
Orla Porten	Student Rep WSC
Helen Long (HL)	WSC Staff Rep
Eruera Lee-Morgan (ELM)	Whanau Rep
Rangimarie Hunia (RH)	Co-opted WSC Rep
Howard Blackwell (HB)	Business Manager
Apologies:	James Watkinson, Tracey Watkinson, Paul Alford
Facilitator:	Carol Gunn

# Carol opened with a Karakia

Board members introduced themselves and welcomed the new student members of the Board.

	INTERESTS NOTED: Nil
1.	GUEST PRESENTATIONS: Nil
2.	STRATEGIC DECISIONS:

#### 2020 Finance

- Six months ago Howard spoke to the Board about a crisis situation in relation to Covid and the international student income being much lower next year.
- Joanne has managed to retain some students from this year for next year but we will still have to look at cutting costs across all curriculum areas.
- A big saving has been achieved by covering relief internally this year resulting in being able to cover most costs.
- Maintenance of the new buildings is a major task which will cost.
   A task list is being prepared.
- There is no intention to make anyone redundant.
- A new Accountant is being sourced.
- Fundraising is being looked at for both schools.,
- MJT had a concern around relief and hoped that staff are not being overworked.
- DS replied that savings will be looked at across all areas and we will be able to offer some relief in 2021.

Action: Communication with parents is needed about paying their donation and explaining to them about the situation schools were in at the moment.

# **Election Update:**

- Board members' mid-term elections were coming up.
- Two positions become available for WSC.
- One whanau position is up for selection in Waiorea.
- CG updated members with where we are up to at the moment with the election.

# **Interests Noted:**

- Carol updated members that this is now the terminology for Declarations of Interest.
- Also, Board of Trustees, has been replaced by Board Members.

#### 2. STRATEGIC DISCUSSIONS

#### **Student Report: (Maia)**

- Feedback from students is that there is concern about gender neutral bathrooms.
- It is felt that they promote discrimination.
- These toilets are being vandalised.
- DS says the Ministry has stated that we have to provide a choice of bathrooms.
- Students feel that our bathrooms do not show diversity. Why label them at all.
- Recommendation is to label the toilets just "Toilets".
- Respect of the facilities needs to be enforced.

# Action: Incorporate a talk about respecting the facilities/toilets in peer support.

- Cameras are going to be installed in the vestibules.
- Study suites are not advertised enough. Mention at formtime.
- NCEA stress is evident due to Covid with term 4 being devoted entirely to exam prep.
- Portfolio leaders will run an activity on the Great Lawn and Whare Tapere lawn area.

Action: Suggestion of a meeting/video/instagram to parents and students explaining what is happening this term and why. Tumuaki Report:

- Matariki Careers Evening is on Wednesday this week.
- Whanau would like input into stage 2 of the rebuild.
- Chris will be taking the one day Across School Leadership position available for a Māori leader in Kahu Ako.
- Enrolment update we are looking at four year 9 classes next year.
- Wainuiomata High School visited last week. There were 20 students and 3 staff that stayed for the whole week. On the last day of this visit, Chris received feedback from those students which he will share with Kaiako.
- After hour sessions have started for internal/external prep for exams.
- Ivan will put up the the photos of the carving of whakairo for Whare Tapere at the dinner break
- ASB Polyfest trustees have cancelled for 2021 because there was no consultation with the Māori stage.
- The Māori stage will run their own performances at the same time of the year and Waiorea will be there.

# Principal's Report:

- Roll projections are growing.
- We can now look at an Associate Principal.
- Lorrin Shortland from Waiōrea has resigned, creating two Assistant Principal positions..
- About 70 students who would normally leave at the end of this year have decided to stay. This is because of uncertainty in 2021.
- Our Hard Tech department is covering this with a couple of parallel courses in Hard Tech.
- Some Māori and Pasifika students are leaving because they have to help support the whanau.
- RH notes that the education system is ill-equipped to deal with the Covid fallout. This provokes a conversation.
- LP has approached the ADHB Youth Health Services and there may be funding for a Nurse for Waiōrea. One of the requirements is that they do an assessment of the students.
- RH says there needs to be a merging of Health and Education in this
  environment, including Careers. The key focus being mental and sexual
  health.
- MJT questioned our MU structure and the inequitable distribution between Springs and Waiōrea.
- This is a concern for Waiorea.

#### Action: Ivan will look at the distribution of MUs and get back to the Board.

- A distribution model of leadership proposed for our CoL/Kahui Ako amongst 4 principals will require Board approval for Chris Selwyn to assume a 1 day per week role.
- We are setting up a meeting with Jayne Taylor-Clarke about progressing the remedial work that needs to be completed on some older buildings.

#### Resolution1:

The Board attests that Chris Selwyn's most recent appraisal confirmed that Chris has successfully met all the standards of the teaching profession relevant to his current position. The Board is confident that our school is able to accommodate the 0.2 release time for our Tumuaki to take on the Te Kahui Ako o Waitemata Co-lead role.

#### **Resolution 2:**

The Board supports Tupe Tai's application for the Te Kahui Ako o Waitemata Across School leader position. The Board is confident that our school is able to accommodate the 0.4 time release for our Across School Leader.

#### **Resolution 3:**

The Board supports Rachel Allwood's application for the Te Kahu-Ako o Waitemata Across School Leader position. The Board is confident that our school is able to accommodate the 0.4 time release for our Across School Leader.

## Three above resolutions passed by consensus

Ivan extended an invitation to our prizegivings.

- Year 13 Leavers Event and Prize Giving Weds November 11th 5.30 pm Great Lawn/7.00 pm New Gym.
- Year 12 Prize Giving Thursday Nov 12th at 11.00 am New Gym
- Year 11 Prize Giving Friday Nov 13th at 11.00 am New Gym
- Waiōrea Prizegiving Friday December 4th at 6.00 pm Te Rehu (Whare Tapere)
- Year 9 and 10 Prize Giving Tuesday December 8th at 10.00 am (Gym)

## **Special Reasons Funding**

- A further meeting with Rebecca Cook (MOE) and our MOE Strategic Advisor Māori Kawhena Woodman is expected this week or next.
- MJT asked that there be inclusion of Waiorea in this discussion.

# Action: ID to notify Waiorea of meeting date.

# Relationships & Sexuality Education Yr 9-13

• This is something for the new Board to formally consult with our community about our Health Education.

# Staff Report - Nil

- Maia has done a Q & A session with students and asked what is best 1 hour periods or 1 ½ periods.
- The engagement of students is better in 1 ½ periods.
- This is something we need to revisit.
- Maybe a focus of our PD for next year.
- Some of the things that students enjoyed online need to be merged into the classroom.

Action: Board would like to see a report back next year on PD and pedagogy and what is appropriate for the new space with a significant student input into this.

• Is there a chance for self-direction to be integrated into the timetabled classes? This could be a focus of HODs

Student Leaders left 9.20pm

#### 3. MONITORING

## **Matters arising from previous minutes**

- Date for wananga Wait until Level 1 to revisit this.
- Let's do this by Monkey Survey/ Doodle after seniors go.

Action: Carol and Eruera will discuss this.

9.25pm The meeting went into Public Excluded Business to protect the privacy of individuals.

9.30pm: The matter having been dealt with satisfactorily the

meeting went out of Public Excluded Business.

Outcome:
An official statement from the Public Excluded meeting about public statements to be presented at the next Board meeting.

Resolution:
That the previous meeting minutes, all verbal and written reports and correspondence be accepted.
(Carol Gunn - passed by consensus)

Next board meeting will be 30 November 2020

Karakia to close

Meeting finished at 9.35pm.

Ratified by: Carol Gunn

Date: 30/11/2020