



Greenmount Primary School

Minutes of School Board Meeting

| Wednesday, November 11 th , 2020 | | | |
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| Start: | 4.05pm | Finish: | 4.50pm |
| Attendees: | Bill Gaynor, Lucy Webb, Etsi Slater, Amy McEwen (minutes), Natalie Astle, Jason Russell, Natalie Marotta | | |
| 1.0 | Open Meeting | | Actions |
| | Opening and Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting was opened by Bill Gaynor, Interim Chair, at 4.05pm | | |
| 2.0 | Apologies / Not Present | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scott Rogers | | |
| 3.0 | Confirm Agenda and Invite General Business | | |
| | Purpose: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm meeting agenda • Confirm previous minutes • Invite General Business • Invite business arising from previous meeting | | |
| 4.0 | Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes confirmed by the chair • The School Board endorsed the minutes of the previous meeting as complete and accurate • Moved by Etsy S • Seconded Jason R | | |
| 5.0 | Business Arising from Previous Meeting | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natalie M – Noted “Good Standing” – information • Lucy W – Explained Supporting Positive Behaviours Policy will be modified | | |
| 6.0 | Agenda | | |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update on school finances (Cash Report provided) 2. Principal’s Report (provided) 3. Book Lists, voluntary fees and contributions 2021 (provided) for endorsement 4. Survey updates 5. Farewell to Etsy Slater | | |
| 6.1 | Update on school finances | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lucy W - informed the Board that 80% of the Cash Budget has been spent • Etsy S – Asked what the school will do with the remaining money | | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lucy - Informed that \$76,000 cash will carry over to 2021 | |
| 6.2 | Principal's Report | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lucy W – staffing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pleased to announce Sue Dylan and Rebecca Bennet have won permanent teaching positions at the school following a selection process - Jane Miles appointed permanent School Officer, Alison Khan and Natalie Voakes will be offered fixed term positions - An MCS 0.4 selection process will take place next week • Etsy S – Asked if Cynthia McGlew has resigned, this was confirmed by Lucy W • Lucy W – in lieu of not having NAPLAN the school has adopted PAT Maths and PAT Reading as a means of gaining valuable data around student progress <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bradley Giles, Yr. will be presenting PAT data to staff next week - Whole school effect size inaccurate due to a small number of classes administering incorrect tests - Staff to discuss data and look at effect sizes for each cohort – 0.4 or above indicates positive progress - PAT information will be used in the same as NAPLAN – ask questions about teaching and learning - GPS's ICSEA (Index of Community Socio-Educational Average) is lower than National Average, therefore the PAT norm may be higher than our school. • Natalie M - PAT testing is new, looking forward to when processes are more familiar • Principal's Report was moved by Etsy S, and seconded by Jason R | |
| 6.3 | Book Lists, voluntary fees and contributions 2021 | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Etsy noted that the lists are slightly more expensive than last year • Lucy W – Explained that the school aims to stay under \$100 for each year level • Lucy W - Posed the question of whether the school will engage in a Dance program next year as it is usually a biannual undertaking • Lucy W – Explained that 'Tash Dance' or EduDance were options • Etsy S – conflict of interest discussed • The Board - agrees that a dance program should continue annually • Other charges to be considered -\$110 for Leaver's Week or \$320 for camp next year. Community supporting camp option • Endorsed by Etsy, seconded by Jason | |

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| 6.4 | Survey Updates | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lucy W – Parent Survey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - After much publicity – 40% response from parents - Areas of school plan identified in Survey – Safe and Happy Students obtained a positive response 4.4 • Etsy S - noticed that compared to last year’s survey – behaviour being well managed and student needs being addressed - are slightly negative. Etsy S suggested that the school prioritises those areas • Lucy W – poses the question to the board; Is clarification needed? • Jason R – noted 80% positive results is significant in terms of survey results • Etsy S – suggested that strategies being used by the school, in areas identified as being weaker, may need to be fine tuned • Lucy W – explained that she would like to engage a number of students in discussions around the results of the student survey, including Year 3 students • Lucy W – suggested that feedback has dropped in the survey • Etsy S– suggested that this might be a result of COVID • Amy M – agreed that reporting and other avenues of communication were significantly different this year and this may reflect in survey results • Jason R – asked if the 2018 survey results could be circulated • Lucy W – Explained that she has yet to conduct Teacher survey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Explained that communications may need to be addressed. – noted that comments were made about students feeling safe and included, this is a positive • Jason R– Congratulated the school on the survey results being positive • Bill G – explained that the surveys support giving direction to the school | Lucy to email 2018 survey results to school board |
| 7.0 | General Business | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you Etsy for your contribution to the School Board! • Bill G – Congratulated the school and the School Board on 2020, he is looking forward to presentation night | |
| 8.0 | Next Meeting | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting closed at 4.50pm • Next Meeting – Lucy to circulate dates • The board is required to invite the public to a meeting • Lucy suggested that we select the first meeting | Lucy to circulate dates for 2021 Lucy to advertise public meeting in newsletter |