



# Greenmount Primary School

## Minutes of School Board Meeting

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



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lucy - Informed that \$76,000 cash will carry over to 2021</li> </ul>	
<b>6.2</b>	<b>Principal's Report</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lucy W – staffing               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pleased to announce Sue Dylan and Rebecca Bennet have won permanent teaching positions at the school following a selection process</li> <li>Jane Miles appointed permanent School Officer, Alison Khan and Natalie Voakes will be offered fixed term positions</li> <li>An MCS 0.4 selection process will take place next week</li> </ul> </li> <li>Etsy S – Asked if Cynthia McGlew has resigned, this was confirmed by Lucy W</li> <li>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"> <li>Bradley Giles, Yr. will be presenting PAT data to staff next week</li> <li>Whole school effect size inaccurate due to a small number of classes administering incorrect tests</li> <li>Staff to discuss data and look at effect sizes for each cohort – 0.4 or above indicates positive progress</li> <li>PAT information will be used in the same as NAPLAN – ask questions about teaching and learning</li> <li>GPS's ICSEA (Index of Community Socio-Educational Average) is lower than National Average, therefore the PAT norm may be higher than our school.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Natalie M - PAT testing is new, looking forward to when processes are more familiar</li> <li>Principal's Report was moved by Etsy S, and seconded by Jason R</li> </ul>	
<b>6.3</b>	<b>Book Lists, voluntary fees and contributions 2021</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Etsy noted that the lists are slightly more expensive than last year</li> <li>Lucy W – Explained that the school aims to stay under \$100 for each year level</li> <li>Lucy W - Posed the question of whether the school will engage in a Dance program next year as it is usually a biannual undertaking</li> <li>Lucy W – Explained that 'Tash Dance' or EduDance were options</li> <li>Etsy S – conflict of interest discussed</li> <li>The Board - agrees that a dance program should continue annually</li> <li>Other charges to be considered -\$110 for Leaver's Week or \$320 for camp next year. Community supporting camp option</li> <li>Endorsed by Etsy, seconded by Jason</li> </ul>	



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