

## BOT Meeting Report September 2019

The Board of Trustees met on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm in the staffroom.

Everlyne Chase has attended our last two meetings and we are now in the process of selecting her onto the board. The casual vacancy on the board has been advertised in the bush telegraph this week in accordance with NZSTA guidelines. If ten percent or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

The term dates for next year have been set as follow:

Term1 Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb - Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April

Term 2 Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

Term 3 Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Sep

Term 4 Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Oct - Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec

### Principals Report

- Teachers are busy writing reports that will go out at the end of the week.
- There has been a focus on the arts this term with the production Edge of Glory - which was excellent!!
- 623 Learning Support Coordinators have been allocated throughout the country, split between 124 clusters covering 1052 schools. There are concerns from principals and teachers regarding how these will be effectively implemented into schools and this is still under discussion.
- The Kahui Ako is still without a lead principal since the end of Lynne Huddleston's 2 year tenure midyear. Principals have resolved to move forward with a joint leadership model.
- While we were on midterm break our teachers were undertaking of day of professional development lead by Ben Layborn to review our mission statement, principles and values.  
There is more work to come as we seek your opinions and those of our students. **Please take the time to fill out and return the survey that was sent home to get your views heard.**
- Staff Appraisal has seen all teachers meet with Melinda to discuss their personal professional development goals for terms 3 and 4. They have used peer observations and videoing themselves teaching to analyse their teaching practise and focus on effective teaching, to lead to improved student achievement.
- Property upgrades have been completed on the corridor in the admin/library block including removal of louvre windows to make the meeting room sound proof. In the last week we have suffered wind damage to a partition wall on Room 2, there are quotes underway for repairs.
- Finance is again tracking well for the year. We are opting into the new government policy that will enable us to receive \$150 per student per year in lieu of asking parents for donations. The exception to this is overnight camps ie. Year 7 and 8 Camp which will still require payment for children to attend.

Home and School have busy term ahead with Spring Show, a Garden Tour fundraiser and Eketahuna Christmas Parade all coming up. They would love to have your support with offers of help on BBQs and baking. Please get in touch with them if you are able to help.

Our next meeting will be Term 4 on the 7<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm in the staffroom. I hope you all enjoy the holidays and have a safe and restful break.

Maree Redington - Board Chair