

WGP College Board meeting 19 October 2022

Present

Steve McCracken, Ian MacLeod, Tim Davis, Derek Middleton, Sam Ereckson, Craig Caminos, Kat Porter, Josh Sanford, Marina Vaha, Ben Creevey

In attendance: Caroline Butland (secretary), Christine Wells (HoL), Joe Duffett (Director of Sport)

Apologies - Charlotte Jones, Jess Washer

Karakia - Derek

Ian welcomed the new board.

Conflict of interest - Nil

Curriculum Brief - English

Christine gave an overview of the English faculty, along with results. This faculty includes Media Studies and English Language. The English Faculty Culture & Values document has been put together and is referred to regularly, as and when needed. Improvement ideas and faculty goals have been recognised and these are being worked on. Identified shortfalls in year 8-9 results are being addressed by concentrating on the basics in every piece of work.

Curriculum Brief - Sport

Joe shared the makeup and expectation of the Sports Department and how it compares to other schools. Number of teachers involved with sports teams is lower than the regional average - this is due to various reasons including timing of games and transport. Celebrating the success of our learners has had a positive impact over the last 18 months. Learners are congratulated for giving sport a go.

More learners being involved in sport could help with issues such as hauora, mental health, teamwork, being included etc. Due to limited resources, we are unable to offer as much as we'd like. Many of the PE staff and a few staff from other faculties are involved in coaching and managing. Most learners wanting to play a code are involved but in some circumstances, we need to pick only one team from those interested due to logistics and resources. Paid Basketball and Volleyball coaches are required as there's a certain skill level needed. We do have composite teams with other schools where either school doesn't have enough participants to field a team.

Joe would like to see more staff involved with coaching and managing a team. Getting more Year 7-10 learners interested in sport will help learners not only with the sport skills but also leadership skills for when they reach the senior levels.

A better engagement plan with our community may bring in more managers and coaches for our sports team, extra curricular activities etc.

Sport should be linked into the strategic plan to make sport bigger at Whangaparāoa College. Getting professional players in higher age groups should be encouraged to coach our learners. ACTION: The Board has asked Joe to provide a solid plan, linked to the strategic objectives, providing outcomes, that the Board can look at funding.

Curriculum Refresh

Pilots and testing done on what learner agency means around curriculum areas. Culturally Relational Pedagogy and Literacy focus for 2023. Development of these will be done during the course of Term 4. Project is on target.

Previous minutes:

The minutes from the September meeting were Approved by Craig

Seconded: Ian

Review of Actions:

- Marketing - Steve, Craig and Silvie met and have a plan to move forward - update will be given in November.

Principal's Report:

Steve updated the Board on the sad passing of one of our Year 8 Ethan Hall.

Steve went through his report, highlighting, updating and explaining a few points. The proposal for a Māori Immersion unit was looked at and supported by the board.

Action Plan Progress Update:

Steve updated the document to match the number of 'Status' and 'What to do' entries. Hauora and resilience programmes are being looked at for our learners - Year level relevant.

We've signed up to be an EnviroSchool which will give us access to relevant resources which link back to the curriculum.

Recovery International Business Plan - The plan was looked at and discussed.

The Board endorses the Business Plan and gives Jason the go-ahead to continue with this plan, with the understanding that our fees will be increased when felt that this is appropriate.

MoE Funding and Donations - the Finance Committee looked at the proposals and proposes that we opt out of the school's donation scheme for 2023. All agree.

BOT Workplan

Charter Strategic Plan - Ian suggested that the Board get together one evening to work through this. Wednesday 2 November 6.30 pm.

HR - 2023 Staffing - The Board have noted the request for more staff funding - this cannot be decided until the Budget is seen.

Property: The new electronic sign is not quite ready yet.

Finance: This is looking on or around budget - donations are now tracking ahead due to Kindo.

The Board moved into committee at 9.46 pm and out at 9.54 pm

DISCIPLINE & PERSONNEL were discussed

Next meeting - Wednesday 7 December 2022 - There will be no November meeting.

Karakia - All

Meeting closed at 9.57 pm

Ian MacLeod, Board Chair _____