

Minutes for School Council Meeting

17 June 2020 at 6pm

Attending: Karen Sinclair, Sally Baker, Robyn Webster, James Dolton, Genevieve Andersen, Jessica Smith

Apologies: Lynda Wieden

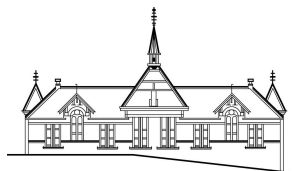
1. Reports

- **Principal's report**

The class teacher vacancy has been approved by the Department with a merit selection process. In addition to the Principal, the panel for the merit selection process requires two additional people - a community/parent and teacher representative. The merit selection process includes advertising for the role, review of applications, interviewing, and the final selection. The optimistic timeline is aiming to post the advertisement by the end of this term, to potentially fulfil the role by week 4, Term 3 at the earliest.

Our return to face to face learning has been successful. Today's newsletter highlighted the Department's new recommendations of increasing flexibility in school procedures for the final weeks of Term 2 and for Term 3. It is still essential personnel only on site, but with an expansion of opportunities and curriculum learning for our children now including third party learning providers. The Department's guidelines indicate that recommendations may change in Term 3 depending on COVID-19 case numbers across the state, so GRPS will continue to follow recommendations as they become available.

Enrolments are stable with children leaving and arriving in similar proportions. GRPS remains about 10 children off requiring an additional class and classroom. Economic recession tends to see children remain in the public system and anecdotally the current COVID period is likely to see more children retained. The Department's Assets group is reviewing costings for an additional learning space (demountable) to be located to the court-side and behind the current demountable.





Karen Sinclair and Erin Christie have been working on technology improvements for classroom learning. They have committed to replace 3 interactive boards and purchase an additional 25 iPads.

The process for developing the School Improvement Plan for 2021 to 2023 will begin mid-next term. This will be a process of sharing priorities and gaining insights from parents, staff and the wider community. Karen mentioned that ongoing technology improvements will be a key priority area to be considered.

- P&C Report

The virtual P&C meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 1st July as the constitution has been amended to allow for zoom meetings. The Department's guidelines continue to indicate that virtual meetings are the preference in Term 3. Gathering of adults (such as P&C events/fundraisers, parent functions, working bees and school BBQ's) remain prohibited on school grounds but are subject to review in Term 3 based on health advice and may be permitted at some point.

2. Business Arising

- Acceptance of minutes from 8 May 2020

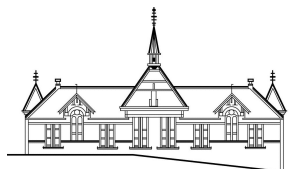
Sally Baker proposed we accept the minutes, Robyn Webster seconded, the minutes were approved.

3. Other business

- With more digital media being used due to recent learning from home, do teachers need information on how to use the technology, such as storing and sharing files on servers (e.g. office 365 and G-suite).

Genevieve Andersen and Erin Christie are working on further professional learning support for staff on technology integration. Karen suggests asking staff for input on their technology needs and further professional learning. Genevieve indicated that last year there were specialised technology professional learning sessions that were well received.

- Assessment and Reporting





Semester 1 Reports will be issued by the end of Term 2. Parent/Teacher interviews are going to be by Zoom in Term 3 weeks 3 and 4.

The next meeting is scheduled for 6pm on Thursday July 30th.

