

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES General Meeting

Time	5:30	
Date	2 July 2019	
Location	Merredin College, Board Room	
Chair	Julie Flockart	
Apologies	John McKane, Romolo Patroni	
Attendees	Julie Flockart, Caitlin Crees, Phil Van Der Merwe, Tom James, Jenny	
	Doncon, Alby Huts, Lisa Fischer, Amanda Rajagopalan, Janelle Millar (left at	
	6:42), Jamie Lee Walker (arrived 5:38)	
	Leigh Nelson	

Time	Item and summary of discussion	Actions
5:30	Welcome.	
	Introduction of Leigh Nelson our incoming Principal.	
5:39	Reflection on Gerard Rennie.	
	Disclosure of interests – nil	
5:42	Minutes of previous meeting	
	Motion: That the minutes be accepted with minor	
	amendments.	
	Moved Tom, second Phil.	
	Note: Minutes taken from special meeting on 20 th June.	
	They will be forwarded to the Board in time for next	
	meeting.	
5:43	Matters Arising	
	Murdoch University robotics.	
	Murdoch came up and did their presentation. 40 Students showed an	
	interest, but staff feel they are not competent to be involved in this	
	project at the moment. Nature playground. Playground will be built over the school holidays,	
	12 parents are involved. Chris Van Der Merwe will be managing the	
	project. A checklist ahs been sent regarding OHS etc. Extra donations	
	have been received bringing total to \$45000, also received many	
	donations in kind.	
	Will use it as an attraction on the open day.	
	Marketing	
	Alby and Dave went to the zone meeting and presented a powerpoint	
5:59	promoting our school. The school has also produced new brochures.	
5:59	Principal's Report Dave O'Neil has been appointed secondary Deputy replacing Gerard	
	Rennie. This job was advertised as fixed term with possibility of	
1.1	extension. Tom O'Brian will stay as phys ed teacher.	
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	See attached.	
	WACE workshop	
	Changes to WACE. Now three pathways, ATAR, VET or General. You	
	can now have a mixed pathway. Timetabling may be difficult. Probably	
	won't run Specialist, Physics or Chemistry next year. These classes will	
	still be available through SIDE.	
6:14	Asbestos Plan and science labs	
	Verbal updates on asbestos and science labs.	
	Science labs are still going through pre-tender process, requirements	
	are being tweaked. Plumbing and Electrical consultants came through,	
	so that they can work out what changes need to be made. Also a	
	review on cabinets and fume cupboard etc. Hopefully tender process	
	will get under way in the next few weeks. No timetable as yet. BMW	
	cover some of the consultancy costs. Hopefully work will be done during school holidays.	
	Asbestos. Contractor inspected the site last week, walked the site,	
	perimeter, and interior. They will be submitting and quote to	
	remediate and remove asbestos and also to run a pick. Hopefully will	
	be able to work in the July school holidays. This should not clash with	
	the work on the nature playground. Area will never be completely free	
	of asbestos, but it can be made safer.	
6:24	Finance Report	
	Janelle explained the finance report. \$50000 cash variance and \$40000	
	salary variance.	
	Janelle reported on student profiles and student centred funding.	
6:41	Gerard Rennie	
	Should we name an award after him?	
	In principal support to name an award after Gerard.	
6:45	Les Last Scholarship	
	Alby presented draft details of the scholarship.	
6:57	P&C report	
	Jamie presented the P&C report.	
	P&C committee members have settled in really well after there first 6	
	months. Committee members are going to the WACCSO conference to	
	upgrade their skills. The treasurer mentioned concerns with the stock	
	management. P&C helped cater for EWEYN function \$3500.	
7:02	2020-2022 Business plan	Board members have a look at
	Development of plan, have reviewed success and what we are doing	the vision statement, purpose,
	well. On school development at beginning of next term we will	beliefs and motto of the
	investigate things that need to be improved. This data will be	school.
	presented to the Board at the second meeting of term 3. Board will	
	decide which areas should be the focus of the Plan.	
7:08	Round table reflection	
	Country teaching placement allowance – our school doesn't get this,	
	sadly no change happening.	
	Next Meeting: 1 August	
7:18	Close	

