

## BUCKLAND SCHOOL BOARD

### Minutes of a Special Meeting held on Wednesday 1 September at 6pm via Google Meetings (due to Covid Level 4 restrictions).

**Present:** Mavis Glasgow, Darryl Goldsack, Andrew Maunder, Lisa Robertson, Sarah Herring, Brandon Foster, Dave Honiss, Glenis Mills (Minute Secretary).

#### 1. Agricultural Day

A discussion regarding Agricultural Day which is due to be held on 2 October took place. Until it is clear which alert level and the rules around the alert level are known there is difficulty in firming plans. A modified event could only be held if Auckland is in alert level 2 or lower.

The following suggestions were made:

Moving the date for the event to a date after the school holidays or at the end of the school holidays.

Running an invitation only event as per the 2021 format if at alert level 2

Due to the number of entries running the event at two sites

Glenis to contact judges to see if they are still prepared to judge under alert level 2.

Mavis to inform parents of Board discussion in next newsletter.

A discussion around the PTA fundraising also took place. Darryl to speak to Anna Stormont (PTA Chairperson) regarding the grocery raffle – there was concern regarding the draw date and the perishable items included in the prizes. Getting raffle books and money back from families could be difficult.

It was suggested that a Gala Day or Evening be held later in term 4. Some deposits paid by the PTA on children's activities may not be refunded so could be used at a later date.

#### 2. School Camps

The following camps are planned for the end of Term 4:

Year 5-7 Peter Snell Youth Village Whangaparaoa 22-26 November

Year 8 Rotorua Camp – early December

It is too early to make a call on whether the camps should proceed or not.

Police Vetting could pose a problem if we stay in higher alert levels for an extended period.

Mavis to place a notice in the school newsletter for families to contact her in confidence if they feel they will not be able to meet the full cost of camp. This has already been communicated to parents in the first letter to Yr 5 – 7 parents.

Deposit of \$1250 for Camp Bentzon on Kawau Island for 2022 to be paid. Dates 5 – 9 September.

#### 3. Preparation for Alert Level 3

Mavis has begun initial planning. Staff have been asked to provide vaccination/health & family situation status. Bubbles of up to 10 children with 2 teachers will be planned as per the initial

information for schools who have moved into Alert Level 3 this week. Parents/caregivers asked to indicate the need for children to be back at school in next week's newsletter.

**4. Property**

The staffroom project was discussed. Fire Engineer has advised that extra firewall is not required, however this must be checked with the MOE. Darryl to ask Project Manager to confirm this (as per Ministry guidelines). If not required could lead to savings in other areas also. Final costings required so that Board can make a decision as to what shortfall they are prepared to make to the project. Due to tight timeframe need to keep working on this during Covid Lockdown.


**5. Community Survey**

The subcommittee responsible for the Community Survey reported back. Document was available for all to see and amendments were made as each question was discussed. Darryl asked to complete the questionnaire once small changes have been made to ensure ease of completing.

**6. Church Land**

Discussion on this took place. Timeline &/or purchase price needed so decisions can be made. Board members asked to be prepared to discuss this at next meeting. Darryl to approach Jan (Minister) to gauge any further movement on this issue from the Church.

The meeting closed at 7.24 p.m.

Signed  Board Chair

Date: 22 Sept 2021