

Dunedin Rudolf Steiner School Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday 19 February 2020 6.30pm

The Board is legally responsible for the school. Our role is to watch the far horizon, to support its direction as a Steiner school, and to ensure it arrives safely within the law. The Board provides guidelines within which the staff manage the school.

“The healthy social life is found when in the mirror of each human soul the whole community finds its reflection, and when in the community the virtue of each one is living”. Rudolf Steiner

Present : Pene Johnstone, Helen Thomlinson, Stefan Roesch, Steve Broni , Clare Ridout (Board Secretary), Danny Fridberg, Zahra Muhammed Shah, Jane Plant, Gabriela Stuedemann.

Apologies : none

1. Minutes and matters arising, reminder re conflict of interest	Who
<p>No conflicts of interest declared. The meeting was reminded of the existing potential conflicts with CR being a Proprietors employee and Helen’s partner being a builder who has previously been engaged by the Trust to do work.</p> <p>Election of new chair. No-one volunteered to take this on. The Board may look to co-opt a treasurer, or a personnel portfolio holder. If Zahra was able to pass on the Treasurer role she would be prepared to take on the position of chair.</p> <p>Minutes approved as accurate – Zahra moved, seconded Helen. New 6 year olds approved.</p> <p>Matters arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreed that Zahra had prior approval for her absence in 2019. • Rules of attendance were clarified and are in the Board handbook. • Secretary role has been added to the EO job description. • Enrolment scheme – local schools were consulted, HT has answered some questions, currently waiting for meeting with MoE re amendment of scheme. • Roll cap increase – just waiting for the preliminary ERO report and then can act on maximum roll increase. • Prof development for special character may be on hold as Michale Park found it did not meet expectations • CR will send Annual report around. • Local schools to be consulted with re upcoming application for roll cap increase. Props are responsible for making the application for the roll increase. 	
2. Principal’s report	Who
<p>Report had been circulated. Leavers discussed – no real common factor. This does not impact on our need to increase the cap. Board thanked Pene for a thorough report.</p>	

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7. Other matters	Who
Meeting dates: Next Board meeting - 3 rd Wednesday of the month normally but 25 th March next time. Then 20 th May. 6 to 8pm DF obtained approval for absence at next meeting Joint Meeting – 22 February 10am to 1pm	

Meeting closed at 8.30pm

Key to Initials : Pene Johnstone (PJ), Clare Ridout (CR), Gabriela Stuedemann (GS), Management Team (MT), Proprietors Trust (Props), Board of Trustees (BoT), Danny Fridberg (DF), Steve Broni (SB), Helen Thomlinson (HT), Stefan Roesch (SR), Zahra Muhammed (ZM), Jane Plant (JP).

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