

BOARD OF TRUSTEES SUMMARY - Nov 2017

This month the Board of Trustees have concentrated on reviewing this year's information while revising and updating for next year. We have been through the Annual Plan looking at all our key platforms, and I can report, what we said we would do we have done - in some cases better than expected. We continue to provide increased opportunities for students to achieve, to participate, to thrive and to be successful.

Financially we are in a healthy position and we will hopefully end the year with a nil balance, meaning we spent as much as we could on our students. Looking to next year the budget has been set. Ground improvements will include a shade sail for the pool area and pool resurfacing as well. We have had Ministry of Education approval for improvement of D Block, Fitness Centre and Hall. A review of our accessibility and ease of movement around the school for students with physical disabilities has shown there are improvements needed that will be addressed during the holidays as well.

The Roger Trust farm has dispersed its annual surplus to the College. This year \$75,000 has been given to the College and has been allocated to:

- Expansion, redevelopment, maintenance of the Horticulture/Agriculture compound.
- Purchasing a replacement vehicle for the Te Awamutu District Attendance Officer.
- Refurbishment of areas not covered by Ministry funding.

Te Awamutu College Rogers Charitable Trust, in conjunction with the full BOT are undergoing a strategic assessment of its assets to determine the best utilisation and returns to best serve the College and its students as the sole beneficiary of the Trust. An independent facilitator will be overseeing this process.

The multi turf sub-committee presented an estimated cost schedule and discussion regarding longevity, location and funding. The next step is to have firm costings and discussion on funding. As per the Auditor's request we are moving forward with an update of the asset register and stock stake. We are well aware of the enormity of the task and thank HODs and Katrina Alquist for their time.

Along with the end of year reviews and provision for next year we also have the wonderful opportunity of attending Senior Prizegiving and presenting awards. It is very rewarding to see such successful students and this makes us, as a Board, even more passionate about providing every opportunity we possibly can to enable students' success. Thank you to everyone involved in and around Te Awamutu College for your hard work and dedication. Good luck with exam results and have a fantastic refreshing holiday.

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