

BOT Update: Headlines from the September 2019 Meeting

A full copy of the minutes of this meeting are available from the Main office.

This was our 6th meeting for the school year. September is a bit of a breather month before the mad rush towards Christmas, it is the time of the year, being the end of the 3rd term where not only do we review what is past but some of what we do is look towards to next year.

Our biggest decision affecting next year is who we are going to get to replace our retiring Deputy Principal Cath Parr. To assist with that we decided to keep our Agenda light and started earlier than normal so that the Appointments subcommittee could spend time reviewing the CV's that have been received.

September is also the month where, if required, we have a change of Student Rep (Trustee). This time around the election is after this board meeting so we had MJ with us for the meeting. Some policy reviews and updates, Charter review update, new donations scheme review along with our usual items, formed the basis of this meeting. The summary is:

- Tony walked us through the policy outline and gave us a calculation behind how the new donation scheme could affect the school based on us opting in or not. We have taken what we have learned to think over before needing to decide for the school at our next meeting.
- Tony and Tracy took us through the outline of the proposed survey they have pulled together as part of our Charter review process. As a Board we then worked through the online questionnaire and gave some feedback.
- We reviewed, and updated where necessary, the following policies:
 - Child Protection
 - Statement on Appointments
 - Procedure Staff Appointments
 - Health & Safety in the Workplace
 - Health & Safety: Others/Visitors in the Workplace
 - Health & Safety: Hazard / Risk Management
 - Health & Safety: Personal Protective Equipment
- The usual Principal's report, Health and Safety report, Property report, correspondence and last meeting's minutes were tabled and discussed where necessary.
- At the end of the meeting we thanked MJ for his involvement over the last 12 months. It is rather daunting to take on this role amongst adults, some of us being over the hill in comparison to them! so it is only fitting that I also take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank him for his efforts.

Just a reminder that we have also setup a direct email address so if you need to contact the BOT Chairperson electronically then there is an address that will survive Chair people. Please be aware that the BOT Chairperson is generally the last person in the chain of command to be contacted, which means that when all other processes (as documented in our school policies and procedures) fail to meet your need then the Chairperson is available. The email address is shown below and available on the school website.

Our next meeting is currently scheduled be held Thursday 24 October 2019 at 6.00pm in the Staff Room. As is usual the meetings are open to all so if you are interested in what we get up to, do come along and see and hear what we do; you are most welcome.

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