

Minutes of Mokau School BOT Meeting 28 July 2025

Opened: Name: Maree Jones Time: 7:00 pm

Karakia: from Board Members

Present: Maree Jones, Maryann Symonds, Jackie Warren, Emma-Gene Hutchinson, David Easton, Anne Owens

Apologies: Merepaea Rauputu,

Conflict of Interest: The board effectively manages actual, potential, and perceived conflicts of interest ensuring the integrity of board decisions and reputation of board members.

Roll: 25

Reports

Principal Report

Taken as read. Items for discussion will be in general business.

Moved: Maryann, seconded Emma Gene. Passed.

Finance Report

Nothing of significance to report or discuss.

Motion: Finance Report taken as read.

Moved: Jackie, seconded Maree. Passed.

Property Report

Covered in General Business.

Health and Safety Report

Covered in Maryann's Principal report.

Farm Report

David advised that 2 heifers have been moved to the farm, with 2 remaining.

Achievement Report

There is a change in the number of students not reaching proficiency.

The curriculum has been refreshed and changes made to indicators, with them now more prescriptive.

Several targets have moved forward e.g. previously for year 4, now for year 2.

It will take some time to move to the new yearly achievement targets.

Students 'needing support' get 1 to 1 support 4 days a week and they have made massive progress.

Teaching Assistant has been trained in Structured Literacy, enabling good support.

Not meaningful to compare this report with previous ones. It will make more sense to compare mid-year with end-of-year.

Policy Review

- Child Protection
- Abuse Recognition and Reporting

These policies are to be reviewed by Board Members in their own time.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Drainage outside covered walkway

Quote from Savvy Gas will not to be accepted.

Motion to approve McIndoe Plumbing to jet/camera/and clear drains if possible. If further work needed a quote will be required.

Moved: Maree. Passed.

EOTC

Careers Expo: Planning for trip to Careers Expo on 18 August has been approved.

Agreed that Risk Assessment and Supervision forms are appropriate.

Signed with volunteer names to be added.

Cluster School Camp in Wellington:

Transport: planned transport is a van supplied by Number 12 with the school only having to pay for fuel.

Driving would be shared by 2 adults.

David raised concerns about the safety/reliability (date of WOF, last service, etc.) of the van and what possible insurance the school could be liable for in case of damage. Maryann to follow up and provide emailed details to Board Members to approve asap so plan can be signed off by Maree.

Accompanying Adults: After plan sign-off there is need for 1 male parent in addition to the planned 2 females. If possible, there also needs to be both a male and a female back-up in case of illness, family emergency, etc. of the planned adults.

Molly Farrell Donation

The plaque has been provided.

Location of plaque decision deferred to next meeting.

Donations

The following donations have been received since the last Bord Meeting:

We received from the Hagensen Family a cash donation of \$55 and a direct deposit of \$200.

We received Koha for Matariki from the Tainui Cluster Schools of \$170.

Bus Signage

Council responsibility and they have been advised.

School Board Elections

Board members asked to canvas for candidates, with 4 Parent Representatives required.

Waitara School Zoning

Maree advised that no positive outcome yet from recommendations made previously. She and Maryann had notification from Waitara that there is an upcoming general survey for Waitara and North Taranaki re engaging with parents, children, wider community and no change to zoning in the meantime.

School Pet Day

Decided that Mokau School Pet Day would be on **Wed 15 October**.

It is likely that Tainui pet day will be on the Fri 17 or Fri 24 October.

Administration:

- Confirmation of June 2025 Minutes.
- Paperwork to sign – Done
- Correspondence – Nil

In Committee: No

Tasks to be done

- **Maryann** to engage McIndoe Plumbing for jet/camera/and clearing of drains (if possible)
- **Maryann** to check van details and insurance for Wellington trip and advise Board Members
- **Board Members** – to review and approve van use for Wellington Trip (all MUST reply)
- **Maree** to sign EOTC plan once the Van details have been provided and Board Members have approved.
- **Board Members** – to complete the 2 policy reviews

Meeting Closed at: 8.35 pm

Next meeting: Monday 25 August 2025 at 7:30 pm at the school

MINUTES ARE TRUE AND CORRECT

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Jones', is written over a horizontal line.

(Chairperson)