

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PTA/AGM OPAHEKE SCHOOL HELD ON Wednesday
15th August 2012, 7.00pm

Present: Murray Wratt (MW), Josie Wickers(JW), Cameron Fairweather(CF), Lisa Ross(LR), Tracie Gibson-Morley(TGM), Grant Mclauglan(GM), Richard Pearce(RP), Jo Bertram(JB), Jodi Dempster(JD), Heidi Molyenex, (HM), Renae Allison(RA) and Vivienne Karakia(VK)

Apologies: Marilyn Read(MRe), Jenn Jury(JJ)

Introduction - CF

PTA

Moved (VK) Second (LR)

Treasurer's report –VK

Moved (MW) Second (RP)

Principal report – MW

Roll: 594

Staffing: No change

Grounds and Buildings

1. Grounds very muddy and slippery at present.
2. Upgrade of 3 junior classrooms now completed.

Items of Interest for P.T.A'S Information

1. Visits by principals of Rosehill College and Papakura High School to speak with Year 8's about 2013.
2. Our School choir took part in the Papakura Primary Schools Music Festival at end of July. Three very successful performances.
3. Financial literacy programme is being delivered across the School's classes. This is provided by the ASB.
4. University of New South Wales tests in English and Mathematics have been completed.
5. Staff are taking measures to make the School more secure as items belonging to teachers have been stolen by an adult while they and their classes have been out of their classrooms for a short period of time.
6. A partnership with the Mad Butcher franchise in Takanini has been agreed to. This started last Monday and will be reviewed at the end of Term Three. He will donate a percentage of payments to the School of those people who identify themselves as supporting Opaheke School. He will also put up a \$20 meat voucher each week to be drawn to those people who put their name on their docket.
It is planned to put money raised towards a set of computer tablets for the junior classes.
7. Professional development to date this term has focussed on Mathematics for Ms Edwards and Miss Allison's Accelerated Learning In Mathematics project and assessment in Writing.
8. Our Yr. 6/7/8/ teams were entered in Mathex competition evening on 9th August at Papakura Normal School. Our best result was Yr. 8 team placed 3rd.
9. Travel-wise personnel from Auckland Transport organised a milo and muffins morning for all of the walkers plus adults 7th August.

10. Football skills programme is forming part of our School Physical Education programme over the term. This is enjoyed by all those taking part. Cross Country and gymnastics also a major focus over the term.

Request for PTA Consideration:

Movie night. Can we still make this happen? Pupils were really looking forward to the evening

Teachers Report - RA

Thank you for all the great wet weather games, some lovely cards received from students
Maybe look at a cook book as a fundraiser?

BOT Report – GM

Last BOT meeting was held on 24th July

- Great presentation from Vanessa and Glenise W who attended the literacy conference in Australia, they came back very enthused.
- Issue with x4 toilet blocks – cost \$30k per block, still to be decided.
- Mike Capper nearly finished the upgrade of the school website – hope to go live later this month
- 5-10 year plan – made the deadline and signed off.
- International Students – viewing how other schools do this and see what is required and if whether we go ahead
- Questionnaire from parents was discussed from the 3-way student conferences that was held recently

General - ALL

School Carnival – date decided for Friday 9th November 4.00pm – 7.00pm, allocation of jobs and what stalls we are going to have to be discussed at next PTA meeting

Movie Night (new date set) – Friday 14th September – Cameron to complete documentation for the viewing rights (Roadshow). An anonymous donation of \$150 has been given generously and a further \$150.00 donation from the BOT to cover the cost of movie. Thank you

Lotto Grant – Viv to look into and see if the PTA can apply and what information is required to do so. Would like to apply for \$5-\$10k to upgrade sporting gear and sporting accessories (ie gazeboes)

Meeting closed 8.10pm, next PTA Wednesday 19th September @ 7.00pm