

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PTA OPAHEKE SCHOOL HELD ON
Wednesday 22nd October 2014, 7.00pm

Present:) Kirsty Johnson (KJ), Jenn Jury (JJ), Richard Pearce (RP), Sean Valvoi (SV), Heidi Molyneux (HM), Jo Bertram (JB), Marilyn Read (MR), Korinna McCallion (KM)

Apologies: Claire Hart (CH), Renae Allison (RA),

Introduction - (JJ)

Previous PTA Meeting Minutes

Moved (HM) Seconded (JJ)

Treasurers Report

Opening Balance: at 01st September 2014 **46186.98**

Receipts:

Bunnings bbq	358.40	
Movies Night	953.80	
Total Receipts		1312.20

Payments:

J Jury MovieNite	339.55	
Gala Signage	690.00	
Total Payments		1029.55

Net Cash Movement 282.65

Closing Balance: at 30th September 2013 **46469.63**

Outstanding Cheques nil

Lunchroom Account Balance: 4273.09

Total Funds Available **50742.72**

PTA agreed commitments	Amount	
Donation - Ipads, Math week, Kawahaka	4700	
Camps Allowance (Guide Only)	3000	7700

Total Funds Available, less PTA commitments **43042.72**

4700 donation - made up of kapa haka 650, Math week 2415,
and tablets 1635

Moved : (KJ) Seconded : (HM)

Principals report – SV

School Roll

As at 23 October 2014: **631 (+6 net gain since the last BOT meeting)**

As at 18 October 2013: **614**

Grounds and Buildings:

1. We received \$5,000 through a grant for the electronic sign board at the front of the school. Unfortunately we were unsuccessful securing another grant. The school will hold a spellathon in term 1 next year to raise the additional funds. The sign has been ordered and should be installed ready to use at the beginning of Term 1, 2015.
2. The plants in the garden are growing well.
3. We are hoping the modernisation of Room 19 and 20 will occur over the holidays.

Matters for PTA's Information

1. I went to the public meeting regarding the SHA (Special Housing Area) which is in our school zone. The facilities being planned will be of great benefit to our school I feel. I have met with the MOE and they feel that there will be an additional 100 students from the area. The council says that the first families will occupy the houses in 3 years. The MOE expects us to restrict our out-of-zone enrolments and any extra classes which need to be added will be 2 storey. These will be built in accordance with the modern building requirements.
2. I see many items coming into the school for the carnival. I have expressed and also written my expectation that all teachers attend the carnival for the entire time and that they take on the responsibility of a stall for a period of time.
3. 'My Mobile Learning' will be rolled out to remaining Year 7 and 8 classes for the beginning of 2015. A parent meeting will be held on 20 November. Parents of Year 5 and 6 students will also be encouraged to attend as we expect that Year 5 and 6 classes will begin My Mobile Learning around mid 2015.
4. The Year 6 students left for camp today and the Year 5 students began their EOTC activities.
5. The Manukau Weetbix Tryathlon is on 3 December. The last Tryathlon was very successful.
6. The last day of school this year is Tuesday 16 December at 12.30pm
7. Events
 - Friday 24 Oct Year 5 EOTC at Sonshine Ranch
 - Friday 24 Oct North Counties Mini Touch Tournament Year 7 and 8
 - Monday 27 Oct Labour Day
 - Wednesday 29 Oct School Councillors Sausage Sizzle
 - Thursday 30 Oct School Talent Quest Finals
 - Tuesday 4 Nov Counties Touch
 - Wednesday 5 Nov Year 3 and 4 School Cross Country
 - Friday 7 Nov SCHOOL CARNIVAL 4PM – 7.30PM
 - Tuesday 11 Nov BOT Meeting
 - Thursday 13 Nov North Counties Athletics
 - Tuesday 18 Nov Year 5 and 6 Interschool Athletics Competition
 - Thursday 20 Nov Glenbrook Trip Rooms 9 to 18
 - Thursday 20 Nov My Mobile Learning Parent Evening 6.30pm
 - Tuesday 25 Nov Counties Athletics Year 7 and 8
 - Wednesday 26 Nov BOT morning tea for PTA and helpers
 - Wednesday 26 Nov Pizza Day

- Thursday 27 Nov Junior Learning Conferences
- Thursday 27 Nov Rainbows End for School Councillors and Road Patrol
- Friday 28 Nov Staff Christmas Dinner
- Wednesday 3 Dec Manukau Weetbix Tryathlon
- Thursday 4 Dec Year 8 Orientation for Rosehill College 9.15am – 10.45am
- Thursday 4 Dec Junior Concert and Prizegiving 10.30am
- Thursday 4 Dec Year 5 – 8 Prizegiving 7pm
- Friday 5 Dec Grandparents Day for Years 1-8 and Concert from 10.40am
- Friday 5 Dec PTA Morning Tea
- Tuesday 9 Dec BOT Morning Tea
- Thursday 11 Dec Graduation Night 6.30pm
- Friday 12 Dec Reports Home
- Friday 12 Dec Carols in the Park
- Monday 15 Dec Certificate Assembly 8.30am

Sean Valvoi
22/10/2014

Teachers Report – MR

Quotes for the sandpit cover have come in. \$911 + gst for one and \$874 incl for the other one. Was discussed and while the lower price would be better it was agreed that we would go with whoever could get the cover done the fastest as this is now urgent. The sand will also need to be replaced as cats have soiled it (will perhaps look at moving the sandpit when the sand is removed as it is taking up valuable play area on the concrete). PTA will probably need to fund this too. Seeing as it is a busy time of year we agreed that when a price is available we can do an email vote on it if need be.

Board Report – JJ

Special Housing Area development on Opaheke Rd was discussed and how this would impact on the school. Not much else to report really.

Correspondence

Letter for funding to be approved for Book Week 2015 - \$2355 for an educational show which will be available to all students. This will need to be paid by the 27th August 2015.

Heidi had a letter from Ezycover people offering options for 2015. She is going to sort out the flyers to go home etc.

General Business

Family Photo fundraiser - 22nd & 23rd of November. We need to have someone available to assist the photographer on the day, will try and organize it so we have 1 helper per 2 hour shift. Cost is \$20 per sitting and families get a free 8 x 10 photo. Clare U to organize flyers etc.

We also have a BBQ booked at Bunnings Takanini for the 22nd. KJ to email out for helpers on that as we can only run it if we get enough people to help.

Last disco – date has been changed to 15/12 – Clare U to organize the DJ for this one.

Weetbix Tryathlon – First one was really successful so we are keen to do another one. The next one is at Manukau on the 3/12 (school day) Kids will need to be accompanied by a parent. There is one also in February at St Heliers which is a few weeks after school starts back. Much discussion about which one to support. As SV had to leave early it was decided to ask him to discuss with the teachers to see what the general feeling was about which one to do, especially as the Deember one will most likely affect school concert preparation and is a very busy time. We all are keen to support this event at some stage for as many kids as possible.

Carnival update – everything is coming together nicely. There is a committee meeting after this meeting where plans will be finalized.

RP discussed applying to Totalspan for a school bus shelter up on Ponga Rd near Coalmine Rd. Asked if PTA would support his application if necessary. Was agreed this was worthwhile.

Meeting closed 8.08pm. Next PTA meeting Wednesday 19th November 2014 @ 7.00pm