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**St Therese School Board of Trustees**

**Minutes of Meeting**

**Thursday 27 June 2024**

**Present:** Ms Laura Geaney (Principal), Mrs L. Ata (Parent Rep), Mr J. Gregory (Parent Rep),  
Father Arul (Proprietor Rep), Mrs R. Paterson (Minute Secretary)

**Apologies:** Mrs L. Murillo, Ms V. Goodier

The meeting opened at 6.05pm with a prayer by Laura Geaney. It was decided Laura Geaney would act as Presiding Member in the interim, due to Benjamin Kurian being delayed in attending the meeting.

**Action Plan**

Property sub-committee to meet prior to next meeting

Professional Development pending to appropriate seminar

School Van ongoing

**Special Character Report**

Tabled and read by Laura Geaney on behalf of Vicky Goodier (Director of Religious Studies). The school community are really enjoying the new religious curriculum. A beautiful Pasifika Mass was celebrated on 6 June and on the same day, students participated in Mother Mary rotations. Laura and Vicky attended the Catholic Education Convention and Laura commented on this being a valuable experience.

Term 3 promises to be another busy term with many events planned. Term 3 Strand : Our Story, level 1 : I am. Whom am I?. Level 2 : My Whanau, Jesus' whanau. To whom do I belong? Level 3 : Our school, our place. Where am I? Level 4 : Together in the World. Who are Catholics? Our Value is Excellence, and our Theme is Change.

**Laura Geaney moved that the Special Character Report be accepted.**

**Seconded:** Lute Ata

**Principal's Report**

As tabled and read by Laura Geaney. Laura reported there has been more enrolments since the last meeting with greatest roll growth in the junior class. Marketing the school was prioritised and will continue.

The Catholic Education of School Age Children Report was tabled for trustees to read and discuss. Laura spoke about our school Values and how they are embedded in the school. The Tē Tātou Whakaono Our Faith document was tabled and was discussed by trustees.

It has been a busy term with all classes experiencing a trip to Arataki Visitor Centre, the upcoming School Production and a school wide science exhibition. Four students from year 5/6 competed in a Māori and Pasifika Maths Challenge and were placed second.

Laura spoke on Better Start Literacy Approach and advised she has been accepted as the Literacy specialist and will travel to Christchurch in Term 3, fully funded. Laura will then support the 2 junior teachers through BSLA training. The old playground will be dismantled in the school holidays. Laura discussed her application for sabbatical and advised it had been submitted.

**Laura Geaney moved that the Principal's Report be accepted**

**Seconded: Jordan Gregory**

#### **Finance Report**

As tabled and read through by Laura Geaney.

There was \$473,519 in the bank at the end of May

**Laura Geaney moved that the Finance Report be accepted**

**Seconded: Lute Ata**

The Board engaged in a self-review and discussed.

**The meeting ended at 7.05 pm with a prayer from Laura Geaney. The next meeting will be held on 29 August 2024 at 6pm with the Property Sub-committee meeting at 5.30pm.**

### Action Plan

<b>Action</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
Property Sub-committee to meet to discuss property enhancement	Property Sub-committee	Next Meeting 29 August at 5.30pm
Board of Trustee Professional Development	All Trustees	Appropriate workshops to be identified
Purchase of school van	Laura Geaney	Ongoing