

# HOUGHTON VALLEY SCHOOL

## Home and School Meeting

Thursday 3 August 2023 7:30pm at 9pm

### Minutes

(Quorum 4+1)

Present - Ronja Ivers, Seb Bishop, Luana Carrol, Michelle Podmore, Anna Barlow, Luke Cartmell-Gollan, Flic Morris, Anna-Marie Miller.

#### 1. Introductions

#### 2. Apologies

Ian, Kirsten, Emily-Faith

#### 3. Minutes of previous meeting

Moved Ronya, seconded Seb

#### 4. Board Report (Seb Bishop)

Board thinking about strategic plan to be updated, consulting tomorrow for next few weeks, sending out a survey, 5 mins to provide feedback, seeking Home and School support and enthusiasm, from community/school. Will capture feedback, have a hui for community to come along and workshop in September how to reflect feedback, work up a draft, ready for next year, strategic plan for school over next 2 years.

Vision - caring, exploring and inspiring together. Board's view is that it's working well, resonates, keen to hear feedback. Feedback positive, reflects school .

Cascade of goals, things have to do, including catering to students who are struggling, what school could focus on, Treaty of Waitangi (both new requirements). Board keen to hear from community on those two areas.

Discussed how Home and School could support engagement in the process.

#### 5. Teacher's Report (Luana Carrol)

Building/property progressing, exciting as lifting ceiling in entrance, in Ngaio for a bit longer, aim library completed by end of term 3.

Junior classes to relocate while redone, including Ngaio demolished/replaced, will start during the next school holidays.

Great to see whanau at conferences last year.

Kids are doing trips to Wellington museum over the next few weeks

Year 6s trips to SWIS - this week, and then EBIS.

Has opened school to out of zone students.

## **6. Term 3 and 4 Events in Planning**

### **The Quiz update - Louise/Jono/Kirsten (Tbc)**

Confirmed date 21 September, last week of term, note out including inviting volunteers/baking on the night. If community has connections to businesses that may be able to donate prizes for the raffle. A great opportunity to connect with the community.

### **Disco**

13 October, first week of term term 4, Luana has approached SWIS, will require some logistics, volunteers sought to assist. Flic to approach people to lead.

### **The Fair Update - Anna Barlow**

Saturday 28 October 10am - 2pm, earlier than usual. Major roles filled, lost communications lead, Anna/Flic are sharing it, so looking for support here. Looking for a toys lead. Alice Young did last year, willing to support, Anna-Marie volunteered to assist. FM to e-introduce them.

Elements to lend kitchen to assist, analysis of food and working out best space with class closure, coordinating quiz team for raffle prizes, possibly a silent auction.

### **Proposed INSIDE OUT HUI (Flic)**

InsideOUT Kōaro is a national charity providing education, resources, consultation and support for anything concerning rainbow and takatāpui communities. They offer guidance, professional development and workshops for schools, workplaces and community organisations across Aotearoa. We'd be keen, as there have been suggestions from the school community, to get them to come and run an evening workshop for our HVS community to provide safer schools and communities for rainbow (LGBTQIA+) and takatāpui young people.

Seeking a volunteer who might like to take the lead on this event?

Initial stage, request at last hui, need to connect with Inside Out, likely term 4, after the fair.

**7. Treasurer's Report (Luke)**

Made payment to the Board for last year's contribution, including two bake sales of around \$1400.

**8. Other Business**

Approval - new, larger BBQ for the school? Suggestion to borrow/hire again.

Chicken coop upgrade? Action to approach Fen/Clare/Carlie.

HVS t-shirts offset? \$43 currently, to consider after other costs.

**9. Communications from Meeting**

**10. Meeting closed 9pm.**

**11. Next meeting: 19 October tbc**