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Minutes of the Bream Bay College PTA

Meeting held on Wednesday 24th July 2019.

Present:

Wayne Buckland, Bev Webb, Sharon Carroll , Maree Wright, Yvonne Boakes & Carol Tolley .

Apologies:

M: Yvonne S: Maree

Vinnie Whyte & Freya Lynch.

Minutes from last meeting:

M: Maree S: Shaz

Approved.

Correspondence – In and Out:

- Fun Run letters.

Bream Bay College PTA Treasurers Report - 11/04/19 to 22/07/19

PTA ACCOUNT Opening Balance **\$5477.93**

INCOME

2 nd Hand Uniforms 2019	\$ 330.00
Fun Run 2018 Profit	\$3948.27 (T/F from Fun Run A/C)
Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser	\$ 632.90
Reversal Journal 2017 Recode Error	\$1620.00

DONATIONS

Marsden Maritime Holdings	\$ 400.00
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EXPENSES

M Wright Reimbursement Snacks Tutorials	\$ 27.78
M Wright Reimbursement Flowers Bucklands	\$ 50.00
Bidfood - Spider Info Night	\$ 38.50
S Carroll Reimbursement Fundraiser Star Awards (Millers Meats and Pak n Save)	\$ 606.09
S Carroll Reimbursement Chromebook purchased	
H Norman Star awards	\$ 285.22

Closing Balance **\$11401.51**

FUN RUN ACCOUNT

INCOME

Donation by Northport	\$ 500.00
Donation by Bream Bay Merchants	\$ 86.96

Closing Balance **\$ 586.96**

Notes: BB Merchants Donation GST was deducted - Katrina to alter this to \$100.00
BB Medical Centre Donation received \$100.00 Will be processed next Report

Principals Report:

Wayne Buckland

- **Changes in buildings for 2020.** Because of anticipated roll growth, there will be a new block built for Year 7 & 8 students which should be finished by the middle of 2020. Following that there are plans for new Labs and a Food Tech room. The old Food Tech room will change to a multi-material Technology room with laser cutters in it. The old Labs will then become an English block which will link to the Library.
- **Phones update.** Students are expected to put their phones in their bags or pockets while in class. While their mobiles can be used for some things like taking videos, for the most part students are now expected to have laptops or chromebooks etc. for their school work.
- **Devices** – All students are expected to bring a device to school. Unfortunately for a variety of reasons there is a small percentage that don't. The school recommends a Chromebook which is quite affordable, plus has the added advantage that the school can control what the kids can and can't do on them. With making available a handful of school computers in each of the junior classes, the year 7 & 8 classes no longer need to be shuffled around to keep the numbers with & without devices even. The computers in the library will also be sent out to the classrooms to replace old class computers.
- **NCEA...NZQA** is changing how students can do their NCEA exams, from handwritten papers, to online, using a PC or laptop. More exams are coming on line every year.
- **Latest research from Sydney regarding safe computer time for children.** Watching TV and playing computer games are common activities for kids. However, kids who spend long periods of time inactive in front of screens are more likely to have poor physical, social and intellectual development. Their findings show that up to 3 hours of screen time per day appears to have no effect on a child's success or health. However, for those spending over 3 hours per day they are seeing more health issues, with children feeling isolated and depressed. The long term effects for those playing hours of *Chance* games is the acquisition of gambling problems in the future. Issues with sight are also a concern. Tear duct problems might start if no blinking for periods of time, and it is recommended to periodically focus on distances away from the screen.
- **Suspensions.** BBCollege has had three so far this year – Two through continued disobedience involving over 50 incidences, and one through gross misconduct where an aggravated assault on a student showed he was too dangerous to keep at school.
- The **Star Awards** are going well. The majority of students enrolled at the College have been given a star award, and overall the school has seen a definite decrease in negative behaviour.
- Movie week a success.
- Not only did our students win **ShowQuest**, the "Jeeks" have just won the **RockQuest** Regional finals. Also, Laura Corbet won the Musicianship Award.
- **Enrolments for 2020.** Flyers will be sent out shortly to schools for new enrolments for 2020. Visits & group tours of the school will start on 21st August.
- **Whanau.** There will be a change in 2020 to make the time for whanau gatherings after lunch, not first thing in the morning as they do now. The importance of relationships formed in whanau groups has been proven over and over as young and uncertain new entrants look to their older peers for support and guidance.
- Your child's **Academic analysis** for 2019 will be live in **Spider** on Monday.
- **2 x new teachers** – Laura Ionta (Physics) and Wessel Van Brakel (Science).

- **General Business:** M: Shaz S: Maree
- **Ball catering** - Wayne to check with Katrina regarding any balance of funds allocated to the food to go into PTA account - fundraising effort.
- **Working Bee.** With the old whare removed on 4th May there is a bit of mess to clean up. There will be a working bee on Thursday 15th August at 10.30am. Bev to advertise.
- **Fun Run.** Usual discussion re encouraging more students to participate. Maree and Yvonne to encourage the Football team and Shaz to encourage the hockey team, who are all going away for Tournament Week, to participate in the upcoming fun run & walk wearing their sponsored shirts to publicise the businesses that helped them. It was also suggested that we approach Seth Nops who is doing an internship with MediaWorks at the moment, to ask him to give the event a plug on air. Bev suggested an incentive for all student entries - something like a cookie at the end of the race. We discussed options to move the run and walk away from the roads to avoid the issues we are having at the moment with Traffic Management Plans. Maree to check with John Kramer for help on course set up...
- **Drug programme.** The committee to ask their kids what they thought of the talks, and to feed back.
- **Sports exchanges.** Carol Tolley has asked if there are any sport exchanges for Year 9 and 10s as with the Year 7 & 8 ones. Wayne to discuss.
- Shaz has purchased 2 x chromebooks from the PTA for the winners of the star awards draw. She will buy an extra one for the Fun Run.

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 14th August.

Other dates –11 September, 23 October, 13 November, 11 December.

Meeting Closed 9.10pm