

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES



19 September 2023

Members	
Karen Povey	Principal
Richard Meloy	Board Chair (Parent)
Helen Dempsey	Board Deputy Chair (Community)
Heath Atkinson	Parent Representative
Nigel Herbert	Parent Representative
Dean Kelland	Parent Representative
Samantha Powell	Parent Representative
Alison Parolo	Community Representative
Michelle Winship	Staff Representative
Naomi Hornsby	Staff Representative
Kathy Smyth	Board Scribe

SIGNED BY CHAIR	DATE

WELCOME AND APOLOGIES	ACTIONS
The meeting was opened at 5.25pm by Richard Meloy	
Conflict of Interest – nil declared	
Group Norms - outlined	
Welcomed new staff representative, Hayley Moulton, to the meeting	
Parent Representative Samantha Powell, resigning from the Board effective end of Term 3.	
Acknowledgement of Country - Richard discussed a recent workshop he had attended, A Cultural Connection with Rio Tinto Indigenous Consulting Group. This course highlighted the difference between cultures and how the behaviour of someone can be misinterpreted, based on our beliefs and ideas about how people <i>should</i> act. Nigel discussed a book he uses in his business activities, titled, The Culture Map which provides an insight into how to work with other cultures in our global world.	
Apologies: Helen Dempsey, Alison Parolo, Heath Atkinson, Samantha Powell	
Absent:	
Minutes of Previous meeting 8 June 2023	
Minutes endorsed as true and correct: moved by Richard Meloy seconded by Nigel Herbert, all in	
agreeance.	
Nil Business Arising	

ACADEMIC AND INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE	ACTIONS
2023 NAPLAN Data Presentation (Business Plan Targets)	
 New Proficiency Bands – Reset the Scale 	
 Comparative Data Availability – Restart the timeline 	
NAPLAN in 2023 was moved to Term 1, due to the change in the timing, previous data cannot be	
compared to 2023 data, as the testing was undertaken at a different point in time.	
There are now 4 proficiency scales; Exceeding, Strong; Developing; Needs Additional Support. MRPS	
will need to wait and gather data based on the changes to the timing of results and how the results fit	
into the 4 proficiency scale. Due to the NAPLAN changes we are unable to track results and will need to	
wait for a couple of years to have comparative data available.	
Data shows that MPRS have less students in the Needs Additional Support than like schools.	
2024 MRPS will be implementing intervention programs for Mathematics. This will be a big project and	
will be part of the mathematics plan for 2024 and planning to implement TeachWell program school-	
wide in 2024.	



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With this NAPLAN reset how does this effect our Business Plan? How will this impact on our school review? Karen did not think there would be any impact on our school review. The reviewers will have access to our school performance reports and they will review our school self-assessment and then conduct a school visit to validate our findings. The self-review process will require us to make a judgement on how we are going, to provide evidence (how do we know) and our future planning (what are we doing to improve). Our data tells us that our current programs are having a positive impact on students. Our assessment tools are telling us that our programs are working.

LEADERSHIP	ACTIONS
2024 Booklists and Voluntary Contributions & Charges for Board Approval	
Literacy Pro has been removed and will be paid for by the school Extra Option Charges outlined; these are the maximum amounts that we will charge throughout the year.	
2024 Student Personal Items List; previously 10% Commission was given to the school, in 2023 was asked for this to be passed onto parents via a reduction in the costs, this commission will not be available in 2024. We did do a comparison with another large supplier; however they would only quote on 3-year levels and it was too difficult to make a comparison. For 2025, we will undertake a full comparison of companies to ensure best prices for parents.	
Moved to Approve 2024 Student Personal Items List and 2024 Voluntary Contributions	
Moved Richard Meloy, Seconded Dean Kelland, Accepted.	
Budget Checklist Members were provided with a checklist for budget preparation.	
School Review Week 9 – 27 March 2023.	



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CULTURE AND COMMUNITY	ACTIONS
Student Success Week: Feedback: Art was, as usual, amazing. Great to see the classrooms and the work that's being undertaken. Visiting four classrooms showed the different personalities of teachers and how they were undertaking the work. Great to see goal setting, even in Pre-Primary. Great to see the Wellness groups here. There seems to be a huge show of pride from the students. Positive vibe. Congratulations to staff. Whole school events over two weeks have been positive, and students, staff and parents are still really interested.	
Susan Ryan Family Engagement Award (ACSSO) MRPS applied for this family engagement award outlining partnerships with the community. MRPS was 1 of 4 finalists for the award. It has been great to get the recognition for all the hard work staff have been undertaking.	
Sports Day Recognition to staff that organised and ran the event. The Student Tribes Leaders also did an amazing job.	
One Big Voice Another fantastic event. Congratulations to Sam and the students and all others involved.	

GENERAL BUSINESS	ACTIONS
Next meeting: TBD was set for Tuesday 31 October @ 5.15pm Makybe Rise Staffroom (need to propose a new date for Meeting 6 – Options: Week 3-24 October or Week 5 – 7 November)	
Monday 30 October 5.15 to eat, 5.30 start	

NEXT MEETING	ACTIONS
Schedule of Business National School Opinion Surveys (BP Target #4) Preliminary Budget 2024 and Workforce Plan Behaviour Policy/Plan Future Board Meeting Dates (Term 4: 21 November – Target #5 Be You Surveys and Public School Review Preparations)	
Meeting closed at 6.55pm	