

FERNY GROVE STATE HIGH SCHOOL

An Independent Public School

FERNY GROVE STATE HIGH SCHOOL SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Meeting Date: Monday 10th May 2021 **Location:** Conference Room

Commencement Time: 3.30pm

Attendees

- Annie Webster (Chair)
- Gavin Walters (Secretary)
- Lauren Haffenden (Teacher Representative)
- Joseba Larrazabal (Acting Executive Principal)
- Cameron Wearing (President P&C)
- Darren Brooks (Parent Member)
- Stephen Bryant (Parent Representative)
- Poppy Buckland (Student Representative)
- Christopher Hamilton (Student Representative)

1. Meeting Opening

- 1.1 Meeting opened 3.30pm
- 1.2 Welcome
- 1.3 Apologies
- 1.4 Conflict of Interest Disclosures
- 1.5 Previous Minutes
 - Confirmation Lauren.
- 1.6 Matters Arising/Action List. Supply of food through the tuckshop, read.

2. Matters for Discussion

Joseba Larrazabal - PowerPoint presentation

About Joseba.

Snapshot of previous school review

Presented key improvement strategies 2021.

Signature Programs. Mentioned science and maths acceleration.

What else from the review? Motto and values - early feedback is to leave these! Question of what do we want Ferny to be known for in four years' time? CW – Was able to contribute in an earlier look at these. JL – Words certainly shape the strategic plan. Purpose and vision. AW – Thinks that community needs to be there. JL – Has noticed the 'community'. SB – What is the current perception of the community. LH – Has



been here since 2004. Would like a respect to be up higher on the Agenda, uniform respect for teachers — would like to see this on the agenda. Pride and community spirit. DB - Piercings, uniform, tattoos, discipline, phones has been looked at. JL — Buying into the 'culture'. Poppy — Engagement — can relate to choice. SB — The school offers opportunities — are they being communicated to the community

JL - How often should we meet this year? AW – Should we check availability of staff perhaps 1 week ahead?

2.1. 2017 – 2020 Strategic Documents – Review and Reflection

JL – Looking back and forward. What has been achieved, and what has been left behind. What is underway, what is the next step to progress it? What wasn't achieved, why? Does it get discarded now, or does it need to be revitalised?

Growth mindset – the neuroscience of learning is probably now more prevalent. Perhaps a good idea to keep strategic plan high-level. AIP's can be more flexible. Pedagogical framework is ongoing. Curriculum plan – a lot of this has already been achieved. We may need to move onto consolidating the work. Work to do around moderation. Data – Look again, at consolidation. No point collecting data if it is not used. Professional capacity – Tactical Teaching of Reading? Professional learning should be taken forward.

- 2.2. Draft plan of action for development of new Strategic Plan. Should provide continuity and a focussed strategic plan.
- 2.3. Review of strategic and operational documents from Kedron SHS as a reference tool
- 2.4. School Review documents
- 2.5. School survey as it relates to fundamental aspects of current plan and informs development of future plan
- 3. Operational update John continues with his work with region in Term 2. Some staff changes, the team are working hard to minimise the impact of staff changes, and we are looking to improve our communications when they do occur.
- 4. We are working with QTU reps and members in regard to an ongoing piece of work in regards to a workload reduction campaign for teachers. Joseba happy to answer any questions. There was no feedback about the lack of comments.
- 5. Major white-ant issue in the old hall involving engineers.
- 6. Quotes to establish a new nursery near bottom courts as part of Ag.
- 7. Keen to work with P&C on the shade program. E block, X block around F block. There was some community consultation via P&C on this.
- 8. Working with certifiers and builders on the current capacity of the new SPC. Examining options for increase in numbers.

Finance – Currently the school budget in terms of revenue and expenditure is very much on track. Keeping a close eye on our planned and unplanned maintenance due to the nature of aging buildings. Undergoing a controlled self-assessment. Looking at provisioning money for future years in regards to HR purchased through the school.

We have a meeting with senior finance officers in the coming weeks.

T&L operational update.

3. Matters for Discussion

a. Further School Council meeting dates to development new Strategic Plan.

Discussed in 2.0

4. Matter for Discussion

a. Future Visioning for FGSHS, the School Council and Council Members

Discussed in 2.0



5. Meeting Finalisation

5.1 Meeting closed at 5.04

