



**TE KURA O TE TAUAWA
HALSWELL SCHOOL**

Halswell School PTA Minutes Tue 10th October 2023

Present: Anna Cron, Michelle Grant, Nina, Heidi, Leena, Claire, Yvette, Gemma, Sarah Monro, Stuart Cameron, Michael Ruffell, Kirsty Hair, Kate Heveldt, Belinda, Helen

Apologies: James Holborrow, Heather Baron, Becky Clarke, Emily Boulcott

Approve minutes of previous meeting 01/08/23 Michelle moved the motion , Heidi second.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- **Financial report: Helen**

Current balance \$55,473.17

The disco made around \$3000.

The tuck shop has made \$3600 so far this year and the sausage sizzle has made \$6669.

Helen moved report to be accepted. Heidi seconded

- **School Rep - Stuart**

Term 4 is very busy with a lot going on. There is lots of planning going on for next year including interviewing for teachers so the school structure can be sorted.

Ahuriri and Huritini are straight into swimming lessons. Orongomai will start theirs later in the term.

The 'No Right Turn' sign is still not working however Waka Kotahi (NZTA) are hoping to have this fixed by the end of the week.

School numbers are sitting at 680 children but will be close to 700 by the end of the year with the new entrants arriving.

- **ONGOING FUNDRAISING**

Tuckshop/Subway - Nina

Not much to report. We have a full roster for tuck shop this term. Subway made \$297 last term. It's working better with it being moved to Fridays.

Sausage Sizzle - Yvette

Emily is stepping down from her role for sausage sizzle this term. The position has been advertised with no volunteers coming forward so far. Yvette and Michelle to cover for the first couple of weeks of term.

Ice Block Fridays

Earlier in the year we discussed selling ice blocks as another small fundraiser. Now that we have our new freezer we can go ahead with this so it was decided we would sell them on the last Friday of the month during Term 4 so October 27th and November 24th. We'll set up two tables - one at the scooter bay and the other near the library - and sell ice blocks for \$2 each

- **EVENTS**

Braids, Burgers & Beers

This was a great success last year so we would love to go ahead with this again this term. Sarah is happy to lead this again. We are looking to hold this on Thursday 9th November at 7pm. Michelle will get the contact details from Kirsty for the mannequins. Michelle moved to spend up to \$400 for the event. Everyone seconded.

Walk or Wheel Wednesday

Heather can't commit this term so we can look to find someone else that might be interested. We could possibly ask Keren or the members of the Huritini Council. Michelle will approach Keren.

Staff Morning Tea

Let's show our appreciation for the staff with an end of year morning tea shout. We'll ask the school community to provide baking/food and we will provide savouries. Sarah moved to spend \$50. Michelle seconded

BOT/Staff/PTA event

The Board are putting on an event to say thank you to staff and the PTA on Tuesday 8th December. Unfortunately the invitation link isn't working however we have let them know and they are working on fixing it.

Disco Debrief

Disco went really well despite a few key staff/PTA members away. Belinda mentioned lots of older children were using their cellphones throughout the senior disco so was wondering what the rules are around this as there were some concerns around posting on social media. After a bit of discussion it was decided, in the future we would try and stick to the school rules which is they're allowed to have them there but must stay in their bags. Eric mentioned that he does Glow Parties which sounds like a great idea so we can potentially look at this for our next disco.

Sports Uniforms - Michael Ruffell

Basketball Uniforms - Michael showed us the new look basketball uniforms with the new logo. They looked great. He has ordered 40 singlets, a lot of them in smaller sizes for our younger teams. The cost was around \$2000.

He has also been looking into getting more of the school uniform sports tops to have on hand. Argyle has 89 of the sports tops with the old logo and unfortunately we can't order any tops with the new logo while these are still in stock. Michael is working with the provider to possibly get a discount and buy out the old stock.

Leaver's Gifts

Yvette has emailed her contact from last year. She hasn't heard back so will follow this up within the week if she doesn't hear back soon. Yvette & Heidi will give out the gifts at the prizegiving.

Next meeting - 28th November

This will be our last meeting for the year. We usually go out but we decided to hold it at school as Stuart will present the Targeted Resource List for next year. We will get some catering for our meeting. We will possibly look at contacting Platters'R'Us who made the individual platters at the musical bingo night.

Heidi moved to spend up to \$400. Anna seconded.

Meeting closed - 8.03pm