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School Board Meeting – Tuesday, 29 November 2022 **7pm in the Specialist Teaching Room**

Attendees – Steve Berry, Sarah Charbonneau, James Pengelley, Fern Vallesi, Nousha Sas, Erica Sharp-Nippierd, Brendan Hodge, Sallie Fullerton and Amy Douglas

Apologies – Frank La Macchia and Jennifer Sweeting

Meeting Opened – 7.08pm

Acknowledgement to Country – Fern Vallesi

Fern recited our updated Winterfold Welcome in English and Noongar –

Kaya. Ngalak djoorabiny noonook djinanginy nidja.

Ngalak dandjoo-koorl nidja kwobidak kaadadjiny-miya-p Beeliar Wadjak Noongar boodja-k.

Ngalak kaadatj Noongar Birdiya wer moort koora koora, yeyi wer boordakan.

**Winterfold Kaadadjiny-Miya-p baal yengkalang kwobidak boorn wer djerup
wer moorditj moort.**

Translation -

Hello. We are happy to see you here.

We come together at this beautiful school on Beeliar Wadjak Noongar country.

We acknowledge Noongar Elders and families from long ago, today and into the future.

*Winterfold Primary School is surrounded by beautiful trees and birds and is supported
by strong families.*

Acceptance of Previous Minutes -

First – Amy Douglas

Second – Sallie Fullerton

Business arising from previous minutes – Nil

Appendix A – Operational One Line Budget Statement, issued on 29 November 2022

Appendix B – Comparative Budget Report, issued on 29 November 2022

Agenda Item – 2023 Enrolment Update

Steve updated the board on the current enrolment numbers.

As at 29/11/22 we currently have 350 students enrolled.

2023 Projected enrolments are at 355. Kindy 2023 is full at 40, with 2 currently on the waitlist.

Agenda Item – 2023 Staffing Update

Steve was very happy to announce that our 2023 staffing line-up had been finalised today, 29 November 2022.

WPS is fortunate to be fully staffed with a great teacher in every class.

Nousha asked if there had been much movement across the school and Steve said no – most teachers are remaining in their 2022 classroom.

Steve did mention that WPS is a school of choice and there had been plenty of outside interest for teaching placement at Winterfold.

Agenda Item – NAPLAN Overview & Update

Brendan presented our 2022 NAPLAN update to the board members directly from the IWB

Brendan asked the board to consider the hugely different cohort from 2021 to 2022

Over the course of the results Steve mentioned that in previous years Winterfold would present with a tail of lower achievers in NAPLAN, now its vastly different with a high number of high achieving results.

There was also a discussion about the percentage of children arriving late now not being as high as in previous years.

Nousha noted that most of the students who would arrive late will periodically arrive late for most of their schooling – they are not one offs.

Brendan went on to talk about 2022 Writing – this year on a device (iPad). James asked how many hours the students get to practice writing short stories on an iPad and Fern replied “not enough” We do need more iPads and are excited that we have another 20 available for 2023 due to the STEM Grant purchase.

Steve did advise the board that it was the school’s intent to have Tiffany Moloney, Technologies Specialist Teacher, back in the classroom in 2023 with the iPads.

Overall, WPS is tracking beautifully, and staff are working hard to engage all students and ensure NAPLAN continues to be a positive experience for every student.

Agenda Item – Trilingual Signage Update

Fern updated the board on the progress of this project.

We are super lucky to have Sean Douglas, WPS parent, on board with helping this project to get to this stage.

Seantelle Walsh from Kardy Kreations is the local Noongar artist who has produced and provided the artwork.

Sean Douglas has skilfully got the art on to images where our sign provider can master up the actual signage.

Fern has consulted with Sharon Gregory, Noongar Language Consultant, Koort-kadet Consultancy, and our Aboriginal parents, confirming that the sign wording is correct.

It’s been a work in progress, and we are excited to see it all coming together.

A friendly reminder to the Board that the P&C contributed \$2500 in 2021 for this project Additionally, Fern was successful in receiving PALS Funding for a Noongar Bonar Mural Grant in 2022 to a total of \$3300.

Agenda Item – Operational One Line Budget Statement

Appendix A – Operational One Line Budget Statement, issued on 29 November 2022

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Agenda Item – Comparative Budget Report

Appendix B – Comparative Budget Report, issued on 29 November 2022

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Agenda Item – Junior Nature Play Grant & STEM Resources Grant – funded by Simone McGurk

Junior Nature Play – Minor School Project Funding \$20K

Steve was delighted to advise that the fences have finally been removed from the new Junior Nature Play area and the students have enjoyed playing in this area.

Simone McGurk's – Minor School Project Funding Grant of \$20k in addition to our WPS P&C generous contribution of \$12k has provided a unique new playing area to our junior students. Dan Hurrell, DG Landscaping, was contracted to complete the works.

STEM Grant \$40k

Kindy Stem Resources	\$2556
MTA B Bots & Sphero	\$16880
mTiny's	\$5671
Lego	\$800
Makey Makey & Grid Mats	\$5141
20 x iPads	\$8866
Abacus Science Kit Replenishment	\$1436

Total \$41,350

Our timing for purchasing of this grant was great as Tiffany Moloney had only just attended the WA Education Summit 2022 where a representative from Modern Teaching Aids was on hand to lend advice on the buying protocols for this grant. This information provided us a starting point, product catalogue and the added advantage that Tiff was able to network with colleagues from like school as to what products would be best suited to further enhance our Technology program.

Tiffany, with the help of some of our students, was able to launch a presentation of these products and how they function to Simone McGurk upon her visit to the school in November 2022. Winterfold is extremely grateful to Simone and her support of the school. Simone always makes herself available to attend our Year 6 Graduation and special events and continues to ensure WPS is kept updated should there be any applications/grants applicable to apply for.

Some of the board members expressed interest in inviting Tiffany to attend a meeting in 2023 to showcase some of these purchases. Something to pursue in 2023.

General Business

Board Chair, Sarah Charbonneau, addressed Steve's impending retirement.

Sarah thanked Steve for his 17 years' service to WPS and his 39 (nearly 40) years with the Department of Education.

Sarah said the board meetings are not a chore, they are informative and fun. WPS will miss you, the board will miss you but wish you all the best in your retirement.

Nousha presented Steve with a gift from the board, which he humbly accepted.

Steve announced that tonight was his 64th board meeting and he can honestly say he has enjoyed every one of them. All board members are a pleasure to collaborate with and he encouraged all to never stop asking good questions.

Steve let everyone know that he had been contemplating retirement prior to covid and we all know what happened next... He said that the school is in great shape and it was now time for him to begin his next journey. He thanked all the board for their generous gift and for being board members representing the school community – it is so very much appreciated.

2023 Board meeting dates –

- Week 8 Term 1 – Tuesday, 21 March
- Week 8 Term 2 – Tuesday, 13 June
- Week 8 Term 3 – Tuesday, 5 September
- Week 8 Term 4 – Tuesday, 28 November

Next Meeting – Term 1 Week 8 – Tuesday, 21 March 2023

Meeting Closed 8.38pm