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## Tuakau College PTA Meeting Minutes

19<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 at 6:30pm in the Staffroom

**Present:** C Betty (Principal), J Burton, S Pearson, S Tregurtha, A Cortes, H Bowater, C Dorotich, R Davies, S Zinampan, C Espina and G van Nierkerk

### Apologies:

Meeting started at 6:50pm.

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Roll at 1051
- Pou being placed at front gate – done by local carver
- Changes to NCEA – changes to assessment & curriculum
- Big focus on literacy and numeracy. PD from Ministry.
- ESOL being looked at. Only one teacher in that area. Looking into another ESOL teacher.
- Buses – all go for 5<sup>th</sup> of June. Funding already reduced from 20%. No idea of numbers on school bus or BusIt bus. Council bus fares are going up. Three bus runs being terminated – Pukekohe, Port Waikato, Pukekawa South. Not viable for numbers of kids. Harrisville bus run being terminated. Their parents can get conveyance as they are in zone. End of day bell time to change to cater for kids taking bus 44 plus extra staff supervision at the public bus stop.
- Discussion on the effect of bus changes on future enrolment.
- Reports coming out soon. Rubrics for juniors, attitude for seniors. Parent conferences coming early next term.
- Staff report – Y7&8 teacher leaving, not replaced as yet. Maaori studies teacher going. Science teacher starting due to maternity leave. Looking for technology teacher – no luck. Some courses to be folded due to this. Looking at overseas recruitment.

### ACCOUNTS – Treasurer's Report

- 00 account - 26 cents of interest. Closing balance: \$22.36
- 12 account - \$40 interest. Closing balance: \$9194.02

### GENERAL BUSINESS

- Golden Jubilee – J Burton is making cupcakes (100), S Tregurtha making slice (100) – both to purchase ingredients and keep receipts for claiming back costs for ingredients. Coffee to be purchased (G van Nierkerk to find out how much he needs, C Betty added if extra is bought could be used for Friends of Tuakau College to sell at home game BBQ's (as discussed last year). Coffee making on Saturday from 9am – 12pm and Sunday from 10am – 2pm (20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>). \$5 for coffee and a slice cash only. Float from Liz. Funds to go into the PTA account. 200 cups from? for free (medium). Available on the day: Saturday – S Tregurtha, J Burton, G van Nierkerk; Sunday – R Davies and C Dorotich. Discussion to be continued after the meeting.
- Pies fundraiser - done through the company, orders done through school Facebook account. Need somewhere with a walk-in freezer to store. What products? Can't mix products? Cookie dough or frozen pies & savories \$15 each \$4 profit. Decided on pies and savories. This to go out to parents early in Term 2 (probably 29<sup>th</sup> April). Fridges? Walk in chiller? Or drive to East Tamaki to pick them up?

- Cultural night – kapa haka group sorted, Year 7 - 10, Pasifika group dance academy group to come in once a week to teach kids. South African group doing food. Alana – South American Zumba group. Phillipino group – booth and item to go ahead. Three parents working together on this: Shelly, Chona and Anselma. Dance number and food to be displayed. Gold coin donation to get in the gym. Funds to go towards the Friends of Tuakau College. Cultural groups can sell food and make money for their cultural group. Word to go out to the community to generate interest from other cultures. Term 3, August 1<sup>st</sup>
- Name change? Away from PTA to 'Friends of Tuakau College.' Change the perceived culture of past PTA to make it more open and welcoming to all. Email to be [friends@tuakaucollege.com](mailto:friends@tuakaucollege.com) or Gmail address – C Betty to look into.
- Created a role as Community Liaison Officer – G van Nierkerk nominated S Pearson. Seconded by R Davies. G van Nierkerk is Staff Rep. Minutes to be reported back.

PTA Meeting closed at 7.53pm.

<b>NEXT MEETING</b>
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6.30pm on Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> May – discussion had and C Betty going to look at dates of his Rotary Club meetings.
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