

Deaf Education New Zealand

Minutes of the Board of Ko Taku Reo meeting held on 30 June commencing at 1.00pm, in Auckland

Present:	Denise Powell, Mike Rondel
Apologies:	None
Secretary:	Cindy Cascalheira
APOLOGIES –	None

WELCOME

HOUSE KEEPING

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS and Updates

No new updates

Previous minutes

The minutes from the meeting held on the 30th March 2023 were accepted as true and correct

Finance and HR update

Through committee meetings, the commissioner received updates on:

- Finance and Property
- HR
- Risk and Compliance

Executive Principal's Report

- The focus of the report was the students
- The school has been involved in really good work for students
- Academic achievement and wellbeing was focused on
- Curriculum
 - o Student focused
 - Looking ahead we are focused on
 - Engaging with parents and whanau
 - Engaging the community
- Discussions around where to next with the Director of Teaching and Learning role
- Professional Development for staff to support our students

Reporting

- The structure of the reporting is working well
- Senior leaders for each of the areas report on their own area
- Executive Principal then does an executive summary

ACTION: we will ask 3 of each of the senior leaders to come to the board meeting, to thank everyone for their report and talk through their highlights

Outreach school

- Target of 90% was not reached for return on consent forms (71% was achieved)
- But a positive outcome even though the target was not met, contact was made

Challenges

- Information needed to be collected manually, this can be done through our new Compass system, upskilling is needed on how to use this new system to its full potential
- Student numbers, Manawatu (+ 22%) and Gisborne (+29%) were of significant growth over that time period. Actions for staffing have been put in place to accommodate these significant shifts in student numbers.

ACTION: LG to explain the increase in the Gisborne area specifically and explain how we then plan to staff this region

- Why this increase
- Any indication if this is long term and if so how do we plan to staff this increase

Communication and resources

- The staffing interpreter bookings for May were extraordinary high – AT to explain the reason for this

Mike Rondel closed the meeting

13.07.2023 Date

Commissioner

Mike Rondel