

## GOOLLELAL PRIMARY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

7 pm 11 August 2022

Item	Documents	Recommendations
Welcome -Acknowledgement of Country -Apologies -Conflicts of interest		The Chair opened the meeting with the Acknowledgement of Country and welcomed all attendees.  Present: Paul Fuller, Vanessa Furlong, Candice Patterson, Chris Quelch, Pat Kiddey Kelly Egan, Caitlin Merritt, Claire Willis  Apologies: Julia Easton, Daniella Lillico  The Chair welcomed new members – Caitlin Merritt  There were no conflicts of interest.
Minutes of last meeting	Minutes of meeting 3, 11 August 2022	The minutes of the last meeting were endorsed by one Board member and seconded by another Board member. The minutes were signed off by the Principal.
Correspondence in and out	Letter from the Deputy Director General, Melesha Sands	Notification of Public School Review date Melesha Sands – Term 1 2023.
Member Introductions		As there are several new Board members, all members introduced themselves to each other.
Budget Update	One line budget statement  Comparative Budget	The Principal discussed the one line budget and drew attention to the variance of \$55 179. This variance had been very small at the beginning of the year but has increased as a result of conservative budget management.
		The Principal noted that we are not aiming to make a profit but spend the money on this year's students and rollover a small amount.
		The Principal noted we have to spend 96% of this year's budget, this year, but a certain amount can be rolled over above this if marked for a particular project.
		The Principal explained the layout and purpose of the comparative budget.
		In summary, the Principal stated the budget for 2022 is looking very healthy.
		The Board Chair asked why the Chaplaincy budget was high. The Principal explained that the cost of the chaplain is managed outside of the salaries budget and is classed as a 'Targeted Initiative'. This is the result of an arrangement between the Commonwealth and WA governments.
		The Board Chair drew attention to the size of the electricity budget. The Principal explained we are getting solar panels funded by the State Government.



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Public School Review Public School Review Report 2021

Letter from the Deputy Director General, Melesha Sands The Principal presented a letter from Melesha Sands, Deputy Director General, that specifies Public School Review date on Term 1, 2023.

The Principal explained the Public School Review Process and the result of last year's Review. The Principal explained that the school asked for a one-year return in the domains of Student Achievement and Progress and Teaching Quality.

The Principal discussed Goollelal's focus on improving literacy and numeracy outcomes by targeting high impact teaching strategies.

The Chair asked off the focus is on achieving the same as like schools. The Principal explained the metric of progress — one year's progress for one year's learning with the aim of being at least the same as like schools.

The Principal explained the 'Response to Intervention' model in the context of the traditionally very high number of students with additional needs at Goollelal. He indicated that the numbers of students with additional needs is now reverting to a level that is more consistent with other schools in our area. This provides an opportunity to ensure that available funding is directed to improve Tier 1 (whole class) instruction as well as Tier 2 (small group) interventions to support students who are at risk of falling behind.

The Principal explained current Tier 2 interventions – Early Birds, and education assistants are currently being trained in MacqLit for Years 3-6.

A Board member asked how the Early Birds program is going and the Associate Principal explained it is going well and the progress of the students has been extremely positive.

The Principal drew attention to the three pillars of the Strategic Plan – culture, consistency and wellbeing.

The Chair drew on the example of the change in handwriting program to bring consistency in resources.

The Principal discussed the next steps

- Implements recommendations from 2021 review
- Self-assess and upload evidence to ESAT
- Review visit in Term 1 2023
- Looking for progress not perfection

A member asked what else the reviewers look for in results other than NAPLAN. The Principal explained they look at other data such as Progressive Achievement Tests (PAT). For current Year 5 students there will be no comparative data as there was no NAPLAN in 2020.



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		The Principal discussed three tools of assessment for progress – PAT, On entry and NAPLAN.
		Progress to date – analysis of research, visits to high performing schools, whole staff professional learning; whole school phonics approach, early intervention programs, Brightpath assessment
		Next steps – Year 3-6 literacy intervention Macqlit, numeracy intervention - Bond Blocks, whole school approach to lesson design, whole school maths program, consistent approach to phonemic awareness (Heggerty program).
		The Principal presented a case study in Daily Reviews at GPS.
		The Chair identified that the work done in strategic planning has informed our improvement plan. The Principal explained that we have great staff, students and community to create the conditions for change. Early intervention is best.
Strategic Plan	Strategic Plan 2021	The Principal indicated that he would not go over the Strategic Plan in full, as this had been addressed in the context of the school review agenda item. All Board members were provided a copy to reference.
		The Chair asked about enrolment numbers. The Principal explained current numbers and potential numbers for 2023, which are going to be similar or slightly higher than this year.
Enrolment Update		A member asked what is happening with the old Therapy Focus space, currently available for lease. An expression of interest is going to be put forward soon.
		The Board discussed the Kindy days and the possibility of housing two classes in one room (on alternative days).
General Business		The Chair asked if she could see Bonds Blocks in action.
		The Principal floated the idea of a Board tour in 2023 to see classrooms and intervention programs. This was favourably welcomed.
Close		There was no further business. The meeting adjourned at 8:28am.