

RIVA PRIMARY SCHOOL BOARD

Meeting No. 3 / 2022 – Tuesday 17th May 2022

1.0 Welcome and apologies

Present: Aaron Chaplin, Emma Brolly, Michelle Berry, Jodie Van Der Zwan. Cid Dare, Scott Olney, Prateek Jain, DJ Wadson, Kristy Yew

Apologies: Shrikant Tawani, Dianne Carlshausen, Harpreet Singh,

Hope Skidmore is no longer able to serve as a member of the School Board. The vacancy will be filled.

Meeting opened at 5.05pm

Acknowledgement of Country – Aaron.

Aaron reminded us of the Board Statement of Purpose and Code of Conduct.

Confirmation of Agenda

2.0 Disclosure of interests

No conflicts of interest identified.

3.0 Minutes of Previous meeting

Review of previous minutes.

Minutes accepted – Cid Dare, Seconded Scott Olney

Actions arising – Some actions are included in the agenda.

4.0 Review of Residential Address/Traffic Data

- We have had a look at where our families live. Aaron has created a map representing every student in our intake area. There are students that are enrolled in our school but travel a distance and are not in the intake area.
- Board members were asked to look at the map, observe and discuss what they can see on the map. Board members looked at the map and discussed different options for where a cross walk would be best for our students. It was decided that Riva Entrance is the preferred option for a crosswalk.
- Next step is to count cars and children crossing the road.

5.0 Riva Primary School Homework Policy

- The Board were provided with a copy of Homework Policy from the parent homework. The evidence base shows that the impact effect size of homework on student achievement is minimal.
- Reading is the main focus for homework. From Year 5 and Year 6 other skills practise might be included along with developing study skills. The content of homework should be nothing new, just practise and reinforcing what they already know.
- Where children do well with homework, it is because the parents are taking an interest in their school work.
- There was a suggestion that some selected apps and resources could be provided for parents to use at home. Suggestions for other ideas for parents could be included with the homework policy.
- Some discussion about extra curricula activities and “clubs”. Some club activities will be starting up soon.
- Suggestion of survey for what families would be interested in after school. Michelle will have a go at developing a survey to gain data / interest. From next week there will be a

“Walkie Talkies Club” in the mornings Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Details will be coming out soon.

Motion: *The Riva Primary School Board approve the Riva Primary School Homework Policy*
Moved – Emma Brolly, Second – Cid Dare

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.0 School Plan – A Beginning

- Board members were asked to work in groups of 2 or 3, pick a photo of the students and staff in our school that resonates most with your group about what you hope for your child/students.
- Each group, stuck the photo in the middle of the sheet and write their thoughts or what comes to mind when they look at the photo.
- Groups shared their thoughts about the photo that they chose.

7.0 Reports and Operational Matters

9.1 – Financial Report –

Question about excursions/incursion. We are budgeted for classes to include excursions. There will be some over the year.

7.2 Staffing – There are 11 new staff this term. These staff were employed to support the students. Currently we are carrying extra students in some classes (over max number). We are looking at adding a new class next term which will involve some shuffling.

7.3 Buildings and Grounds – The formal meeting will conclude early to enable a full tour of Riva Primary School for Board members to see the facilities and resources

8.0 Other Business

No other business

9.0 Next Meeting

Tuesday 14th June 2022, 5.00pm

10.0 Round table evaluation

No round table evaluation this week due to tour of the school.

11.0 Meeting Close

There being no further business, meeting closed 6.05pm (with a tour following the official close).

