# **CONFIRMED MINUTES**

## STRATEGIC BOARD MEETING - 9 OCTOBER 2023



At the **Board Meeting - 30 October 2023** on **30 Oct 2023** these minutes were **confirmed as presented.** 

Name:	KingsWay School Board of Trustees
Date:	Monday, 9 October 2023
Time:	6:30 pm to 9:00 pm (NZDT)
Location:	Senior Campus Staff Room , 100 Jelas Road, Red Beach
<b>Board Members:</b>	Paul Claydon (Chair), Graeme Budler, Hayley Cross, James Kimber, Jordan Barley, Neels van Rensburg, Nicholas Bradley, Philip Mark Bradley, Raelene Beguely, Vanessa Gatman
Attendees:	Chris Martin , Colette Budler , Cynthia Venter, Lisa Lambert , Yolind Strydom
Apologies:	Amira McMurray, Karla de Wet

# 1. Opening Meeting

### 1.1 Devotions

Yolind Strydom opened the meeting in prayer.

Jordan Barley shared a devotion around Matthew 8:23-27 - Jesus asleep in the storm.

Thought 1: Rowing harder in the storm won't get us out of it quicker; But the faith to fall asleep next to Jesus, in the storms, to abide in him and allow the Holy Spirit to work in us and grow our faith and vision, of our part in his story is what He is wanting. It's an incredible thought and paradigm shift as so often we are frantically rowing in our own strength and are depleted.

We need to STRIVE to enter His rest. Abide in Abba Father (make room and open the door to relationship and intimacy) be empowered by Holy Spirit, to come from a place of overflow not depletion.

Thought 2: The Storm could relate to capacity at school and making room for empowering leadership, relationship, curriculum, empowering staff, external connections for growth; 2030 Strategic Growth & Development Plan and so on.

So how do we STRIVE to abide? How is this applicable for the Board, for the school and for us collectively and personally? We want to keep seeing progress and there is no progress without His presence. We need to abide and be charged in the spirit, to do what he's called us to. to do the work well that is set before us, staying true to our responsibility to protect the mandate and uphold His vision for the school. To remain steadfast in that vision. The burden may seem heavy, but again, we need to have faith to believe that His yoke is easy and the burden is light. It is at the end of ourselves (our plans and resources) and our human wisdom is where God works.

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Simply put, James 4:8 - draw near to God and he will draw near to you. Abiding in the word, "abide in me, and I in you, so we can bear fruit" (John 15). Ps 1 - Let your roots go down deep, like a tree planted by the water.

Jordan paraphrased 1 Peter 3:15 - and people will see and ask for the reason for the hope within us and how we work out of overflow not depletion and the strategic direction and the schools ongoing response to growth and His leading through it and it will be testament to God's goodness at KingsWay, reflecting His work and the courage and faith of those workers he called that chose to STRIVE to Abide rather than row against the storms that arose.

## 1.2 Meeting Admin

Apologies: Karla de Wet & Amira McMurray

Conflicts: None

Minutes from previous meeting: The Board Chair moved to carry the minutes forward to the next

meeting for approval.

## 2. Strategic Focus 2023

### 2.1 Parent and Staff Feedback on 2030 SGDP

## Parent & Staff Survey results circulated and taken as read.

Notice that the data shows strongly the request for an alternative qualification.

The difference between parents and staff regarding student academic outcomes was noted. This is most likely because teachers have a better understanding than parents. We need to close this perception gap and work on informing parents better.

Rating from parent feedback:

- 1. Student wellbeing
- 2. Key competency skills
- 3. Academic outcomes
- 4. Improving student behaviour
- 5. Exploring alternative qualifications and enhancing special character

#### 2.2 2030 SGDP draft

#### Graeme's cover letter circulated and taken as read.

Graeme spoke to his letter and shared with the Board the outcome of a meeting held in the holidays with Allan Bates and interested BOT parties. Allan will be having a meeting with the Trust / Proprietors and will get back to the Board hopefully by the next meeting.

Graeme circulated a document that reflects projected roll numbers with two scenarios.

The Senior Campus is currently at our maximum capacity. We need eleven extra classrooms to accommodate the two 'bubbles' coming through.

The two 'bubbles' were explained; one from Primary School and one in Y11. The ELT have gone down to granular level to ensure that every possible space is used.

#### Draft 2030 SGDP circulated and taken as read

After the Board has viewed this, the EP will do a consultation with a Māori representative group.

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James pointed out the Proprietor has never committed in writing to the timing of the Arts Centre, the Board has allowed the school to progress and publish this plan over the years. Now the responsibility is held with the Board. The Proprietor has always said it is a timing issue, not that it has denied funding.

Graeme rejected the statement from James, and explained that the proof was that the Proprietor has never pushed back on roll growth. In fact on the contrary the Proprietor has asked for an increased roll cap in order to increase our intake. The 2030 plan was requested by the Proprietor in order to show our roll growth, and to have a plan for growth. It was not something the the Board requested.

Graeme went through the SGDP page by page explaining the MOE NELPs, the strategic initiatives, etc.

Graeme thanked the Board for their time of reviewing the draft SGDP.

# 3. Close meeting

## 3.1 Close the meeting

Next meeting: No date for the next meeting has been set.

- Next meeting on Monday, 30 October 2023 6:30pm
- Next Devotions: Karla de Wet

Signature:	Date:

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