

NZASA Executive Meeting

Thorndon Hotel, Wellington

21st November 2016

Present: Alex MacCreadie, Lesley McCardle, Annie Hughes, Grant Burns, Kelvin Woodley, Ringi Smith, Greg Fenton, Paul Eason,

Apologies: Rhys Ellison, Debbie Fitzgibbon, Steve Beck

*Greg to follow up on Rhys' attendance at meetings.

Welcome to new Exec members – Paul, Debbie and Steve. Debbie and Steve are unable to be with us today due to the earthquakes.

1. Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting of 30th May 2016 as circulated are adopted as a true and correct record.

Ringi/Grant cd

2. Finance

Motion that the finance report as at 8th November as circulated and discussed is adopted.

Grant/Paul cd

3. Committee/Sector Group Representation Re-Structure

3.1 President

Alex is resigning as at the conclusion of this meeting. Thanks to Alex for his support and input over the past 4 years.

Grant nominated and accepted the position of NZASA President for the next year. After one year this to be reviewed. Congratulations to Grant.

3.2 Sector Group Representation

Cross Sector Forum – Grant

Sector Leader – Grant

RERG – Ringi

Funding Advisory –Kelvin/Grant

Education Payroll Services – Lesley/Steve (share this out)

NZEI Principals Council – Kelvin

Property – Steve

Secondary PPTA Principals Council – Richard Katipa? (Grant to get in touch with Richard re reporting)

3.3 Sector Reports

3.4 RERG – Ringi

RERG sent a letter to the Minister about lack of consultation with RERG. There has been no response from Hekia Parata. Te Kura annual plan etc is on line for feedback from the sector. Rickie has been

chair of RERG for a couple of years but is now chair for NZEI so it's unsure whether Rickie will continue with his role on RERG. RERG comprises many sector groups dealing with rural schools. At the meetings the various groups share what is on top for them. Discussed Correspondence School and lack of success around student achievement who use CS. Tertiary options may offer some good opportunities in the future for L1-L3 courses.

3.5 NZEI Kelvin

Kelvin didn't get to the last meeting. New U1 and U2 Principals Project starting. Vulnerable Childrens Act and Child Protection Policies. There is an organisation called Safeguarding Children who are well worth contacting to help schools review policies and procedures around VC Act. There is a Principals health survey which Kelvin urges Principals to complete. PrincipalHealth.org is the website. The survey will come out in term 3 every year.

3.6 Cross Sector Forum – Grant

The meeting was at Sky City. The Minister was in attendance. The meeting was about improving communications between sector and the Minister. Over 100 principals attended. We need to be nominating area schools for the Minister's School Excellence Award. Funding view – a number of reference groups will be formed and the one of interest for us is the Isolated Funding Review. COLs – there are 148 approved COLs. Only 43 of the 148 have their achievement challenges endorsed. Early Childhood learning outcomes are being reviewed. Special Education to become known as Learning Support are undertaking a review.

4. Conference

4.1 Conference 2016 Review

- Venue was excellent. Food was good. Good speakers.
- School visits – good feedback
- Leadership course review by students was a hit
- Student speaker at dinner was very successful
- Good reviews on speakers
- Alex summarised the google survey on conference feedback.
- NSTA funding packages could be available to assist students at conference or other opportunities

4.2 Conference 2017

Where: James Cook Hotel, Wellington

When: 16-18 August

Theme: To be Confirmed.

Possible Speakers:

Minister? MSD/Education (Grant)

Peter Thorburn (Greg Fenton)

William Pike (Lesley)

Judge Becroft (Grant)

Nathan Mikaere-Wallis – Lesley (keynote + workshop)

Nigel Latta - Lesley

Gareth Morgan - Grant

David Galbraith (Ringi) – locked in. We are to cover air fares only

Dr Anne Milne (Kelvin)

Ernie Maddock ???

Prof Roger Mahtzen
Duke Ed – Quick lead-in to workshop
Student Dinner Speaker – Greg Fenton Onewhero

Workshops x 16 (4 slots)

NZSTA (Ringi)
Safeguarding Children (Kelvin)
Property Wayne Tacon (Lesley) next meeting
ERO - Alex
TIRP – MoE
Alex ?

School Visit

??? Lorraine Kerr may know – Karyn Grey and or Jen Rodgers may know of Wellington schools to visit

Sponsors

Same as normal
Xero / Solutions Services (Sandy) (sponsorship plus workshop on Xero)

The Band – same as normal
Accept Audio Viz quote

5. Sports Tournament 2017

SoS have limited numbers and have asked for consideration to invite small schools to take part. Discussion around not prejudicing area school students if this were to occur. The main issue is with rugby. The decision to go back to Sports Committee and any decision to be made on a year by year basis. The problem mainly arises when SoS hosts the tournament. Area school students should not be disadvantaged by the decision, fair play is taken into consideration, ring-ins to carry on to other tournaments. Any changes or decisions to be reflected in the sports policy.

No one is sure when the next Sports Committee is meeting next. Kate from Lawrence Area School may know. Steve Beck is the rep. from the Exec and should be attending the sports meeting.

Tournament in 2017 is to be held in Whangarei

The management of national tournament is effectively managed on good will and voluntary. Grant – proposes to put a tariff on for the management of the event of somewhere between \$10 and \$20 per student. Northland has appointed a NASA sports manager to manage Northland team and for the co-ordination of the 2017 the national event. The proposal is to add a management tariff to be paid to NASA in 2017 for the management of the national event. This tariff to be paid to the organising region. Grant to share a copy of the contract which expires a month after national sports tournament.

A letter to go to the Barbarians to thank them for their continued support in NZASA rugby. Steve to draft letter and to send through to be placed on letterhead. Grant to sign.

6. Strategic Plan

Development of national literacy award. We need someone to lead this to make it happen.
Newsletter item.

7. Strengthening Career Services

Lesley to follow up the request to be part of their workshops. We will provide someone in the future –
Lesley to check out frequency of meeting and costs.

8. Incorporated Society

Motion

That NZASA become an incorporated society.

Alex/Ringi cd

Lesley to start paperwork to get this underway. Grant to sign off.

9. Visitors

9.1 Visitor – Katrina Casey – Secretary for Education

Isolated School Funding – Reference groups are being set up. The funding is for small **and** isolated **not just small or not just isolated**. The group is not representative at the moment. The people on the groups are from schools who fit the category. Names will be released shortly. The Advisory Group is a representative group and will be chaired by the Minister.

Review of on line learning – still in review at the moment and not in legislation. More information will come out in due course.

CoL's can't be formed for schools who are not in the same region.

Acting up allowance for someone to step up into a Deputy Principal's role. Katrina couldn't answer the question about lack of allowance and asked us to refer it to the unions. She will check it out in the meantime.

Funding Review – Policy work has not been undertaken yet. Working groups are also still to be set up and will be split into various areas e.g. curriculum, decile system review, property (heat, light, power, maintenance), data for outcomes focussing on learning progression (cost per student per group e.g. special needs etc). Terms of reference for each group will be released (not sure when).

Education Act is at the select committee stage. They are due to report back to Parliament in about March next year.

Learning Support (previously Special Education). A pilot scheme within one region to see how change will look like at operational level.

Education Council has primary responsibility for leadership. It has established a centre for leadership excellence. An interim support package is being put in place focussing on beginning Principals, leaders of CoLs, early childhood leaders etc. There is additional funding available for Education Council for the next two year. On-line registration will in process.

There is some uncertainty around how long Hekia Parata will remain as education minister. The Prime Minister makes this decision around timing etc. Katrina will go back to previous role once a permanent appointment starts which is likely by the end of the year.

Funding flaw (Kelvin) – Kelvin explained flaw in contract around release time and inequity for primary staff compared to secondary staff. Katrina to follow up.

9.2 Visitor - Brian Davies – Transport

Kelvin - Concern expressed about early pick up changed from 7.30 to 7am.

2022 bus routes around NZ. 2/3 MoE funded 1/3 School Operated. A review was undertaken – they looked at school roll returns. Roll return information is allowed to be collected for effective resourcing of school. In this case school transport.

Bryan went into some comprehensive background information around bus routes. Funding only applies to students attending their local schools. Transport has a major effect on school rolls at the moment. Lengthy explanations around history of school transport.

To email Brian directly regarding transport issues: brian.davies@education.govt.nz

9.3 Louise Green and Jane Porter - NZEI

Angela Roberts and Jane Benefield – PPTA

Kelvin – funding formula discrepancy for non contact re primary v secondary staff in area schools.

This is a resourcing issue – not a collective issue according to the unions. Angela and Jane happy to talk to Ministry about funding the discrepancy. Angela suggested a collaborative letter to go to the Ministry. Kelvin and Grant to work on a draft of the letter and send it through to Jane and Angela. If this issue is resolved the opposing conditions for teachers working in area schools would be fixed.

The cost to the Ministry could be huge as it affects not just state rural Area Schools but other Y1-Y13 schools such as kura and special character schools. If this anomaly were resolved it would be a good incentive for primary teachers to work in an area school environment.

Next meeting Monday 27th March.

Invite Wayne Tacon (Lesley), NZSTA (Paul/Ringi)
