NAENAE COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting
Thursday 18 June 2026 at 6.30pm

Present: Kelly Palmer (Presiding Member), Daniel Bowbyes (Parent Representative), Milica Zivanovic (Parent Representative), Hoani Smith (Parent Representative), Arif Ali (Parent Representative), Chris Taylor (Principal), Rebekah Gaffney (Staff Representative), Keira Harrison (Student Representative)

Apologies:

In attendance: Jackie Schrijvers (Board Secretary)

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1 Welcome

Kelly opened the meeting and welcomed all those in attendance including our invited Senior Leadership team. Kelly asked the Board members if there were any additional conflicts-of-interest for the register. None were reported. Arif shared a Karakia.

Senior Leadership Reports

Pasifika Achievement Plan, Student Leadership and Wellbeing

- A detailed presentation was shared on Pasifika student outcomes and experiences.
- Data interpretation highlighted course delivery as the primary focus.
- The Careers Expo was identified as a significant opportunity to support Pasifika students with future planning.
- Opportunities for Pasifika community involvement were also identified to support Pasifika students with career evenings and scholarship information evenings.
- Support sessions for parents and whānau, to provide resources in a multiple of languages.

Student Leadership

- A key highlight has been the increased number of students participating in leadership opportunities. More students are actively sharing their ideas, contributing to discussions, and demonstrating growing confidence in expressing their views.
- It is encouraging to see students engaging in leadership development opportunities that further strengthen their leadership skills.

The Presiding Member shared that they were heartened to see the engagement with Pasifika in our community, ka pai to you and your team.

Senior Leadership Reports

Curriculum and Teaching

A robust discussion was held regarding the implementation of the new literacy and numeracy curriculum.

- The importance of maintaining an inclusive approach that enables every student to access opportunities and achieve success was emphasised.

- It was noted that the kura is on a four-year journey to strengthen literacy and numeracy outcomes and improve student achievement towards NCEA Level 1.
- The Board acknowledged the work underway to strengthen teaching and learning, and to improve student achievement.

Assessment and Curriculum Changes
- Senior Leadership will continue to strengthen teaching practice and embed literacy and numeracy across all Year 9 and Year 10 learning programmes.
- It was noted that Year 9 students will begin working towards the new Foundation Award, which will be assessed in Year 11.
- The ongoing focus will support student achievement, build confidence, and prepare students for future assessments.

Digital Learning and Artificial Intelligence
- A lengthy discussion was held on Artificial Intelligence (AI), digital learning, and preparing students for an increasingly digital workplace.

Digital Readiness and BYOD
- The Board noted the new curriculum redesign will require careful planning and significant work.
- Further work is needed to build staff and student confidence in using digital tools to support the curriculum redesign.

2 Principal's Report

The report was read and received.
A Board member noted that the professional development course attended by the Principal and Operations Manager was valuable in supporting on-going policy improvements.

The Board discussed the need for a process and guidelines to manage situations where multiple teachers are unavailable due to illness. It was agreed that the Senior Leadership team would manage this process.

Moved that the Board approves the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) developing a process to manage multiple staff absences.
C Taylor / K Palmer

Moved that the Board accepts the Principal's June 2026 report.
C Taylor / M Zivanovic

3 Staff Representative Report

The report was read and received.
The student leadership media committee is flourishing with vibrant posters placed around the school. They shared that the staff did a fantastic job with Pride Week, and although it was challenging it was very rewarding. The Board thanked the Staff representative for a job well done.

The Board moved to accept the Staff Representative's June 2026 report.
R Gaffney / H Smith

4 Student Representative Report

The report was read and received.
Key highlights this term included the Prefects vs the Teachers sporting events. It was noted that the Prefects have brought a great energy to the kura.

The Student Representative reported that there have been two student council meetings this term. Students have shared ideas and feedback which has been discussed with the Principal. There is excitement about the opportunities these ideas will bring to the kura.

The Board moved to accept the Student Representative's June 2026 report.
<u>K Harrison / K Palmer</u>

5 Sub Committee Reports

<u>Resource Committee</u>
The Resource Committee chair updated the Board on recent Committee activities, including the development of a five-year annual maintenance plan for endorsement.

The Board moved to accept the minutes of the Resource Committee meeting.
<u>D Bowbyes / M Zivanovic</u>

Marae Committee
The meeting minutes will be discussed at the next meeting,

Health and Safety Committee
The meeting minutes will be discussed at the next meeting,

6 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Read and Received. Two minor amendments were made.

The Board moved to accept the minutes of the May 2026 Board meeting as a true and accurate record.
<u>K Palmer / K Harrison</u>

Actions Register
The Actions Register was updated.

7 Correspondence

There was no correspondence to report.

8 PEB

Moved that the Board goes into Committee at:9.32pm.
<u>M Zivanovic / D Bowbyes</u>

The Board moved out of Committee at 9.53pm.

9 General Business

Heaters have been installed in the library as a temporary solution until the roofing project begins. Renovations are also underway in the library space as per the Board of Trustees request from the last meeting.

The meeting concluded at 10.00pm with a Karakia.

Signed: ____________________ Date: 30/07