



Phoenix Preschool Inc Board of Governance

Committee Meeting Minutes

(Via Video-Link)

25 February 2026

Item	Action
1. Welcome The Chairperson opened the meeting at 7.34pm Present: Craig McNabb (Chairperson), Katrina Palmer (Secretary), Karen Copland (Treasurer), Pete Lee (College Representative), Ange Ross (Preschool Manager), Rosa Watherston (Board member), James Cochrane (Board Member), Kate Veint (Teacher Representative) Apologies: None	
2. Minutes of Previous Meetings - January 2026 Accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting	Moved/Seconded by: James, Pete
3. Conflict of Interest Are there any conflicts of interest that need to be declared and recorded by Board Members on any items in the February agenda? - None	Conflict of Interest - Moved/Seconded: N/A
4. Correspondence In - Resignation received from Kate Veint from the Teacher Representative role from the next AGM	Correspondence

	- Ashburton College Supporters Recognition Function on 4 March. Ange and Karen to discuss whether to attend - Annual Accounts have been received, Craig and Ange to complete the Board of Governance requirements	Action - Craig to complete Board of Governance requirements in annual accounts.
	Out -	Moved/Seconded by: Karen, Ange

5.	Chair Report - As per newsletter in folder. - Taken as read	Chair Report Moved/Seconded by: James, Pete
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6.	Management Report - Report in board folder. Discussion items: - Approved the Christmas holiday closure dates from Wednesday 23 December 2026 to Thursday 14 January 2027.	Management Report Moved/Seconded by: Karen, Pete
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7.	Policies and Procedures (a) Policies to be reviewed by the Board and adopted at the February meeting: - Board Gift & Koha Policy (b) Procedures for review by the Board at the February meeting then forwarded for parent review: - Fee Schedule	- Policies (a) - Changes discussed and agreed - Adopted - Procedures (b): - Changes discussed and agreed. - Approved for circulation Moved/Seconded: Pete, Kate
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8.	General Business Set a date for the AGM - Wednesday 25 March 2026 at 7.30pm	
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	- March board meeting scheduled for 7pm Whanau Survey Results - Saved to board folder. - Discussed and pleased to read that the vast majority were very positive comments. We also acknowledged some ways to improve. Garden - The garden is in need of a tidy up. Discussed whether to organise a working bee or pay a gardener. Agreed a gardener is preferable. Kiwi Playground - Discussed funding ideas - to come out of budget versus grant application	Action: Ange to obtain quotes from Mr Green and Chickens Garden Maintenance Action - Ange to seek input from staff as to desires for playground
9.	Sub-Committee Updates Finance - As at 31/01/2026, the closing balance is \$946,113.84 which includes \$58.05 in Fundraising - Term Investments of \$523,616.42 as at today - No aged debtors Discussion points - Insurance - will consider timing for insurance renewal and consider obtaining cost comparison.	Finance - Moved/Seconded: Pete, Ange
10.	Personnel -	Personnel - Moved/Seconded: N/A
11.	Property Maintenance - None	Property Maintenance - Moved/Seconded: N/A
12.	Grants - None	Grants - Moved/Seconded: N/A

13.	Fundraising - Hot cross buns fundraiser - Profit of approx \$200 less delivery - Thanks to Young Electrical for sponsoring the room hire for the disco. It was a very successful event.	Fundraising - Moved/Seconded: Pete, Ange
14.	In-Committee -	Refer to In-committee notes.
15.	Close meeting - There being no further items, the meeting closed at - The next board meeting will be on Wednesday 25 March 2026 at 7pm, prior to the AGM	

Signed off by



Craig McNabb (Chair)



Katrina Palmer (Secretary)