



**TIRIMOANA SCHOOL**  
**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING**  
**HELD ON 19<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 7.02pm**

**PRESENT:** Anna Lemalu, Peter Kaiser, Ben Wood, Corinne Piu, Jean Timms  
(Kim Dolman, Aleem Shah via Zoom)

**APOLOGIES :** Megan Connolly

**VISITORS:** Julie Matthews, Ann-Maree Antonievic, Miriana Christensen, Lisa Moreton

Visitors welcomed and given speaking rights.

**KARAKIA:** Peter Kaiser

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST: (Potential Conflict/Pecuniary):** Nil

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the meeting held on 22nd October 2025 were read and approved. It was noted that Corinne Piu has since accepted the role of HR. Lemalu

**MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:** Peter Kaiser confirmed that the Trust Community Foundation Application has been submitted.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Inwards/Outwards. Received and accepted.  
Tabled correspondence – Inwards received and accepted.

**MATTERS ARISING:** Nil

**PRESIDING MEMBER REPORT:** Presented by Anna Lemalu

**PRINCIPAL REPORT:** Presented by Peter Kaiser

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Prepared by Ask Accounting, Presented by Kim Dolman

The Board moved the expenditure for August of \$536731.32 and Capital Expenditure of \$3562.70

Dolman/Wood

The Board moved the expenditure for October of \$586197.37 and Capital Expenditure of \$0.00

Dolman/Lemalu

**PROPERTY REPORT:** Presented by Ben Wood

**HR EMPLOYMENT:** No Report

**HEALTH & SAFETY/HAZARD:** Presented by Julie Matthews

**ATTENDANCE REPORT:** No Report

**ICT:** Written by Matt Lyon Presented by Peter Kaiser

**EOTC:** RAMS Received / Aleem Shah

**ESOL:** Written by Louise Graham

**ENVIRO:** Written by Louise Graham

**Library:** Presented by Lisa Moreton

**SCHOOL DOCS:** Nil

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

**Te Tiriti o Waitangi:** Ben presented a statement (Attached). All Board members agreed with the statement, and it was decided that this would be used to share with the community as the boards commitment to honour Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

A letter will be sent to the Ministry using Ben's Statement. The petition on the link in the email from NZ School Boards Association Dated 11 November 2025 will be signed. Ben will attend the Friday morning Staff meeting and share it with staff.

**PGCs: (Professional Growth Cycles):** Peter Kaiser assured the board that all PCG's had been completed and signed off by him for all teaching staff.

**ICT:** Peter advised that if we were unsuccessful with the grant applied for from the Trust Community Foundation for another 14 Chromebooks school would need to meet the cost. Peter and Matt will create an ongoing plan for the continuous replacement of devices for the future.

**Parent Consultation:** A copy of the draft consultation was provided for Board members to view. All members agreed to move forward and send this out to families.

**Measles:** Peter advised that Julie and himself had meet with our Public Health nurse. She had provided them with information on how we would be advised of any formal cases and what we would be required to do for both staff and learners from a school standpoint should this happen.

**International Students:** We have not yet completed the required annual review; this is currently being done by Louise. The Attestation is not required to be completed until March 2026.

**Staffing Christmas:** The Board agreed to provide funds to cover the cost of the dinner of \$55 per head for all employees to attend the end of year staff function.

Visitors left the meeting at 8.35 pm.

The Board went “into Committee” at 8.37pm under amendment 54 section 48 (i) (a) (ii) to discuss a couple of issues.

The Board moved “out of Committee” at 8.50 pm

Meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Next meeting: 17 December 2025

Presiding Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## **Reaffirming Our Commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi**

“Kia whakatōmuri te haere whakamua - we walk backwards into the future with our eyes fixed on the past.”

This whakataukī reminds us that our future direction must be grounded in our whakapapa, our history, and the commitments that shaped Aotearoa.

We want to acknowledge the government’s recent decision to remove the requirement for school boards to give effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi. While we understand the direction being signalled at a national level, it is important that we recognise who we are as a school and as a community.

For decades, evidence and lived experience in Aotearoa have shown that Māori learners thrive when their language, identity, and culture are upheld in their learning environment. And this does not relate only to Māori ākonga. This is the home of all our children. Being part of Te Ao Māori strengthens belonging, unity, and connection for every learner who walks through our gates. It enriches our shared identity and fosters a sense of whānau across our kura.

The need to uphold Te Tiriti has not disappeared because of a policy change. The values that anchor our school manaakitanga, whanaungatanga, partnership, equity, and belonging remain unchanged. Te Tiriti o Waitangi is the foundational relationship of our nation. It speaks to partnership, shared responsibility, and honouring mana whenua. These are not political ideas. They are the foundations of who we are in Aotearoa.

As a Board, we strongly affirm and uphold the importance of Te Tiriti o Waitangi in the culture, direction, strategic planning, values and practices of Tirimoana School. We are committed to ensuring that the principles of Te Tiriti continue to guide our decisions, our relationships, and the everyday experiences of our ākonga, regardless of legislative requirements.

Our children deserve an environment that reflects who they are, connects them, and supports them to thrive. Our responsibility to our tamariki, our whānau, and to this whenua remains the same.

Ngā mihi nui

Tirimoana School Board