

Minutes of Waikite Valley School Board of Trustees Special Meeting

Tuesday 19th January 2021, WVS Staffroom.

ADMINISTRATION

Present: Teresa Topp, Shelley Schnuriger, Mary Briggs, Lorraine Bowman & Tim Braithwaite

Apologies: Andrew La Grouw & Mike France

In Attendance: Kelly Curtis (Secretary)

Meeting opened: 6.35

Matters arising: Shelley explained she had called this meeting as decisions needed to be made regarding the School House.

Shelley informed those present Mike France had sent an email detailing his opinion on topics to discuss at the meeting. (tabled email correspondence).

The discussion focused around the "Meth Testing" that Sue Knowles had advised all rentals needed to be done and that had been consequently conducted costing the school close to \$2k.

The "Gluckman Methamphetamine contamination in residential properties: Exposures, risk levels, and interpretation of standards" report was discussed and it was decided Tim would write a letter to Sue Knowles asking why these tests had been undertaken and with what scientific back up.

ACTION: Tim is to pen a letter to Sue Knowles requesting an explanation for the tests.

The under floor insulation was discussed and a certified insulation certificate is required before the home could be tenanted. New rules have been made which makes the under floor insulation installed by the Board inadequate.

ACTION: Teresa to get quotes from Cyril Cunningham....who had previously quoted in 2018.

ACTION: Shelley to get a quote from Smart Energy Solutions.

The next topic the Board looked into was selling or tenanting the School House. The discussion looked at the pros and cons of selling such as having no control over who lives in the home, the financial strain it is currently putting on the schools funding ie. repairs, maintenance, letting fees etc. (the MOE at any stage could question how government funding is being spent), that the school house is on School's title so subdivision would be needed, it's a great time to sell with the current market demand and school would no longer be accountable for maintaining the property and grounds. Teresa talked about her frustration at the amount of time and money being spent on the School house - valuable resources that would be better used for the school property/grounds maintenance and learning resources for the students.

The Board decided if the property was going to be tenanted the Property Manager may no longer be the most financially viable option.

Andrew La Grouw's proposal was also discussed. (tabled email correspondence).

ACTION: Teresa will look into subdivision costs and possibilities within the MoE

Items for next Meeting

- Costs involved with selling the school house.
- Response from Sue Knowles.

Signed



Date

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