

## Rathkeale Old Boys' Association Special General Meeting Minutes

2 p.m. Saturday, 7 November 2020 Archives Room, School House, Rathkeale College & by Zoom

## Pride in belonging

		Item	Action
2:00pm	1.	Welcome (President)	Present:
			<ul><li>in person (listed in schedule below)</li><li>by zoom (non-voting) (listed in schedule below)</li></ul>
		Apologies	Received : Graham Aiken, Blythe Adams, Robert Blackett, David Stevens, Tony Hocking, Tim White and Richard Norris
			Moved: Grant Harper Seconder: Edward Cox
			Accepted
	2.	Description of proposal: purchase of School House Bush by TSTB with support from ROBA & The Friends of Rathkeale	Noted: 1. Martin O'Grady, Principal, Rathkeale College – a. importance of the acquisition to primary industry education at Rathkeale through the Land Lab concept. b. the benefit for the operation of the school to prevent presence of close neighbours.
			2. Grant Harper, President - a. protection and enhancement of the rural and isolated setting of Rathkeale. b. the last part of the boundary extension to keep the school's physical character intact. c. allow extension of the eco trails. d. a "must have".
			3. Extensive general discussion from the floor until approximately 3:30 p.m.
	3.	Motion #1:	Motion: That ROBA commits to gifting \$200,000 to Trinity Schools Trust Board (TSTB) by 31 March 2021 for the purpose of TSTB applying that amount as part of the purchase price of the School House Bush (the gift) and (the purchase).
			Moved: Grant Harper Seconder: Edward Cox
			Carried
	4.	Motion #2	<b>Motion:</b> That ROBA uses \$80,000 of its current cash reserves toward the gift.
			Moved: Scott Andrew (Treasurer) Seconder: John Booth
			Carried
	5.	Motion #3	<b>Motion:</b> That ROBA pay TSTB \$116,667 of the gift by 14 December 2020, to be used by TSTB as a non-refundable deposit for the purchase, and ROBA undertakes the fundraising necessary to make the payment of \$116,667.
			Moved: Blair Ewington Seconder: Tim Falloon

		Carried
6.	Motion #4	<b>Motion:</b> That ROBA conducts the fundraising necessary to pay TSTB the gift, or so much of it as remains to be paid, by 31 March 2021.
		<b>Moved:</b> John Booth Seconder: Mike Clinton-Baker
		Carried
7.	Motion #5 (from the floor)	<b>Motion</b> That ROBA uses its best endeavours to negotiate with TSTB that some protection against the future sale of the land by TSTB be included in the Deed of Gift of the \$200,000.
		<b>Moved:</b> Steve Wilton Seconder: Mike Clinton-Baker
		Carried
8.	Closing	Noted: Martin O'Grady: thanked ROBA from the College for support of this project. Grant Harper: thanked all those attending.
9.	Meeting end	4 p.m.

## Members present throughout the SGM

**Committee members:** Grant Harper (President), Edward Cox (Vice President), Scott Andrew (Treasurer), Blair Ewington, Tristan Armitage, David Pereira, Stuart McKenzie and Tim Falloon.

**Members**: John Booth, Michael Bruce-Smith, Campbell Mclean, Michael Birch, Jamie Clinton-Baker, Andy Sutherland, Simon Griffith, Richard White, Mike Clinton-Baker, Alastair Hutchens, Steve Wilton, Peter Donaldson, Andrew Sims, Lindsay Watts, Matthew Bell, Bruce Logan, George Callaghan, Ray Spencer, Lawrence Cheetham, Tim Daniell, Jonathan Hooker, Blair McLaren, Maitlinn Williams, and John Ansell.

**Members attending by Zoom:** Michael Pearson, Phill O'Connor, Chris Morrison, Simon Gibbs, Mike Caulton and Paul Morgan.

Members present for the discussion only: Guy Farman.

Invited guest: Martin O'Grady, Principal, Rathkeale College.

Signed as approved by: MG Harper , President, on 11 November 2020