



ST THOMAS'S
SCHOOL

**Minutes of Meeting held in the Staff Room
on 24 February 2026**

- 1. Present** Michael Maher, Claire Fromow, Arapeta Albert, Megan Wheeler, Myriam Gros, Karl Landman and Keezia Haste.
- 2. Election of Chair** Arapeta Albert elected Chair.
- 3. Apologies** None.
- 4. Karakia, Open & Welcome** Meeting opened at 6.33pm.
- 5. Declaration of interests** None.
- 6. Previous Minutes** The Board resolved that the minutes from the meeting held on 25 November 2025 are a true and accurate record.
Confirmed – C Fromow & K Landman
- 7. Correspondence**
 - i. Letter from BoT to PTA re donation.
M Maher
- 8. Action List** Discussed and completed.
- 9. Financial Report**
 - i. November Financial Report tabled and discussed.
 - ii. November Statement of Financial Performance tabled and discussed.
 - iii. December Financial Report tabled and discussed. Communication around donations to parents discussed.
 - iv. December Statement of Financial Performance tabled and discussed.

Discussion around Canopy and groundworks.
Approved – M Wheeler & C Fromow
 - v. 2026 Draft Budget – Discussed. Approved with some changes.
A Albert and M Maher
- 10. Key Issues**
 - i. End of year academic data – tabled and discussed. Lots of Curriculum changes and new Ministry Assessment tool will be implemented in 2027.
 - ii. Courts and Canopy – extra concrete required for footpath. Landscaping to be completed within 2 weeks. TigerTurf will install first week in March. Water tank is connected. Warranties will be issued on completion. Sound system is working well.

- iii. NZQA assessment on international students – Reviewed and Tabled.
- iv. Camp – Year 8 going to Camp Bentzon – Term 2. RAMS to come back to next Board meeting.

C Fromow and M Maher

11. Health & Safety Report

- i. Health and Safety report discussed.
- ii. Fencing for Special Needs students. School in discussion with Ministry.

M Maher

12. Policies

- i. Travel – Approved with one minor change.
- ii. Equal Employment Opportunity – Approved. Check one item.
- iii. Te Tiriti o Waitangi – Approved. No changes.
- iv. Reducing Student Stress and Use of Physical Restraint – Approved with one change.

C Fromow and K Haste

13. General Business

- i. Proposed Changes to BoT dates 2026 – Agreed by Board.
- ii. Yr 7 & 8 Uniform – Discussed. Decided no rain jacket. School branded hoodie to be added to year 7 & 8 uniform options.
- iii. Sports Coordinator role discussed. Information will be shared in our newsletter.
- iv. Donations discussed. Keezia will draft a flyer and we will translate into a couple of other languages.

K Haste

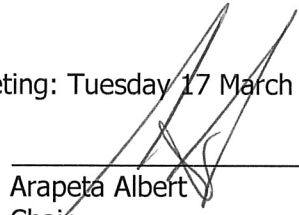
14. Meeting Review

Very productive meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.37 p.m and the Board went into In Committee. The public are excluded from the whole of the proceedings of this meeting under [section 48\(1\)](#) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Next meeting: Tuesday 17 March 2026

Signed: _____


Arapeta Albert
Chair

Date: _____

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