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Tēnā koe John

On 26 August 2022 you wrote to the Minister of Education requesting the following information:

I noted on the website, <https://www.nhs.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/NHS-BOT-Mins-June-2022.pdf>

*The new Board will take office 18 Sep-22.
An election process will occur for the Staff Representative position and an impartial Returning Officer will be appointed by the Board for this purpose.
All other Board Member positions are appointed by the MOE. Current Board Members are reminded they must reapply should they wish to be considered for nomination.*

- 1. Can you please let me know where did you call for public expression of interest for board positions and how many applications you have received? Within the application you have received, how many are new applications from public and how many are current member reapply?*
- 2. As per the minutes, the new Board will take office 18 Sep-22. I presume the process is about to finish, how many you have shortlisted and interviewed?*
- 3. Also, may I request the current pay rate for board member and position description.*

The request was transferred to us in accordance with section 14 of the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), as the information you have requested is more closely connected with the functions of the Ministry of Education.

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

Part One - Expressions of interest and applications

The Northern Health School Board positions were advertised on the following platforms:

- Seek
- Trade Me
- LinkedIn
- Mahi
- Kumara Vine
- Sunday Star Times, Dominion Post, NZ Herald, Christchurch Press, Otago Daily Times, Education Gazette (online), Ministry of Education Careers Centre (jobs.education.govt.nz)

17 applications were received for the five vacancies on the Northern Health School Board. Of these, 14 were new applicants, and three were incumbent Board members. One of the incumbents withdrew their application before the process was finalised.

Part Two – Shortlist and Interviews

Five candidates for the five vacancies for the Northern Health School Board have been recommended to the Associate Minister of Education (School Operations) for appointment. A selection panel considered the written applications and selected the candidates for recommendation to the Minister. Interviews were not conducted.

Part Three – Pay rate and position description

The Ministry of Education does not hold pay rate information because each individual board determines the honorarium paid to its members. In accordance with section 14 of the Act, this part of the request has been transferred to the school to respond to you directly.

There is no position description for board members. However, section 125 of the Education and Training Act 2020 sets out the role of a school board. I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(e) as that the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist.

For your information, attached to our response as **Appendix A** are the documents that were available to applicants as part of the application process.

Please note, the Ministry now proactively publishes official information responses on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Nāku noa, nā



Jann Marshall
Associate Deputy Secretary
Te Pae Aronui (Operations and Integration)