

Alternative Constitution Application

What? An application to the MOE to have 2 Trustees of the Rise Up Trust Board elected on to the Rise Up Academy Board.

Why? To GUARD the vision of Rise UP Academy.

Why?

Our school is growing, and the fruits of our labour are fast becoming renowned within our community. Our school vision to develop Sharp Minds, Strong Bodies and Good Hearts provides a model of education that is inclusive and celebrates our students' learning, and well-being and their whanau journey.

The temporary location presents a range of challenges requiring a highly skilled, exemplary governing board to administer. The Rise UP Trust are the original guardians of the Rise UP Academy vision and mission. They hold and bring cultural responsiveness, unique expertise, experience and community knowledge specific to the schools Designated Special Character.

Rise UP Academy - Alternative Constitution

No more than 7 and no fewer than 3 parent representatives; and

The Principal of the school; and

1 staff representative; and

2 trustees appointed by The Rise UP Trust on the basis of particular experience, expertise, skill and or leadership that in the opinion of the Board will assist in advancing the students of Rise UP Academy.

Standard Constitution

- (a) no more than 7 and no fewer than 3 parent representatives; and**
- (b) the principal of the school or, in the case of a combined board, the principal or principals of the schools administered by the board; and**
- (c) except where the principal is the only member of the school staff, 1 staff representative; and**
- (d) a number (determined by the board) of members either—**
 - (i) co-opted by the board; or**
 - (ii) appointed by bodies corporate approved by the board for the purpose; and**
- (e) in the case of a board that administers any State integrated school, not more than 4 members appointed by the school's proprietors; and**
- (f) in the case of a board that administers a school where students are enrolled full-time in classes above form 3, 1 student representative.**

CURRENT BOARDS


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| 1. Sally Ikinofu | 2007 | Chairperson |
| 2. Maggie Winterstein | 2012 | Deputy |
| 3. Taulu Schuster | 2012 | |
| 4. Ulu Aiono | 2016 | |
| 5. Bruce Levi | 2014 - 2021 | |
| | 2023 - re-elected | |

RUA

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| 1. Ulu Aiono | | Presiding Member |
| 2. Mike Fe'ao | 2019 | Deputy |
| 3. Kevin Pasene | 2019 | Parent Rep |
| 4. Maggie Winterstein | | |
| 5. Taulu Schuster | | |
| 6. Cecily Taufelila | 2007 | Staff Rep |
| 7. Sita Selupe | 2007 | Principal |

BACKGROUND

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- 2007 — Rise UP Trust was established in response to community requests to deliver the Building Learning Communities project...Hearts & Minds, Synergy etc.
- 2009 — Rise UP Trust was successful in securing ASB Community Trust Maori Pasifika Education Initiative grant to deliver the Building Learning Communities programmes over 5 years.
- 2013 — The Rise UP Trust was successful in securing the first Pasefika primary Partnership school (Kura Hourua) established and opened in 2014. Rise UP Academy (RUA).
- 2017 — The change of government prompted a termination (2018) of the Partnership school and an application to open RUA as a DESIGNATED CHARACTER SCHOOL. The Rise UP Trust became a separate entity to Rise UP Academy.

2018

Throughout 2018-2019 the Ministry of Education proposed following options for RUA to relocate (temporarily):

- a. 36 Atkinson Ave, OTAHUHU
- b. Split RUA over 3 local schools in Mangere
- c. Te uho o te Nikau school (Flat bush)

RUPT was instructed to take up residence at 36 Atkinson ave, Otahuhu. Board, staff and parents lobbied to MPs and local councillors for support to force a reversal of the MOE decision to move to all of the options provided. The opposition party also crossed the floor to advocate for RUA to have a safe and suitable location for students and whanau to relocate to.

May 2019

The MOE provided Sir Douglas Bader Intermediate as a temporary relocation for RUA to reside for 2-3 years whilst plans for a permanent site were progressing.

January 2020

RUA relocated to Sir Douglas Bader Intermediate.

May 2023

Collaborate with MOE to have RUA permanent location confirmed as soon as possible

What is happening now?

How?

Rise UP Academy is a school of choice in South Auckland. 95 students | 64 whanau

Experienced trustees to guard the vision of Rise UP Academy.

Rise UP Academy is improving education and whanau well-being outcomes in South Auckland.

The Ministry of Education property team are challenging to deal with. The temporary co-location here at SDBI creates challenges to effectively plan for roll growth and recruitment.

Experienced trustees know how to engage with MOE for a suitable school site.

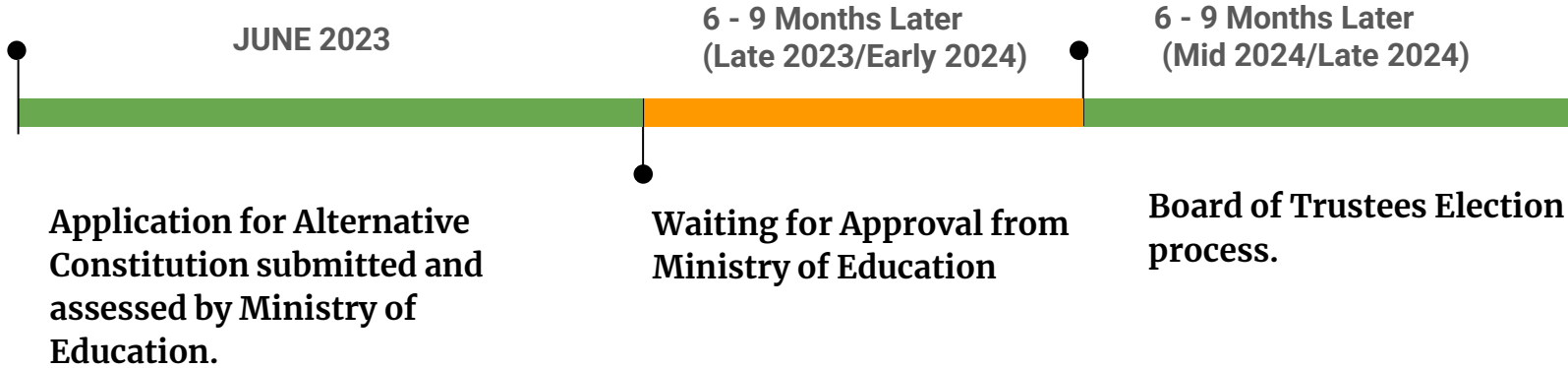
Funding model of 102 students is not financially viable.

Rise UP Academy roll must grow to (250+) ensure financial viability.

Too many tasks not enough staff to carry the load.

Staff Recruitment

Timeline



JUNE 2023

Application for Alternative Constitution submitted and assessed by Ministry of Education.

6 - 9 Months Later
(Late 2023/Early 2024)

Waiting for Approval from Ministry of Education

6 - 9 Months Later
(Mid 2024/Late 2024)

Board of Trustees Election process.

DECAPITATION

What is it? Rise Up Academy Year 1- 8 school changing to Year 1-6.

Why? The current funding model (21 Year 7-8 students) means we cannot offer the range of subjects and learning experiences as the local Intermediate schools.

When? As early as 2025 , pending MOE approval.

RUA opened in 2014 as a Year 1-6 school then recapitated in 2015 to a Year 1-8 school.