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Dear North-Eastern Community

Welcome back to Term 3!

Term 2 was a positively busy term with further development on the Community Hub Project, appointment of a new School Auditor and a broader discussion for a potential Middle Years Program at North-Eastern. Our AGM was held in term 2 which saw three new board members elected and many community members sharing their thoughts and perspective on upcoming changes and developments.

The first half of the 2023 School year has been a huge success and we can't wait to see what is in store for North-Eastern for the upcoming terms.

The AGM was held on Wednesday 24th May, a very successful event! We were so pleased that so many of our community members braved the cold weather to join us in person and wanted to pass on a big thank you to all those who dialed in online.

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One of the key roles of the Board is to monitor financial performance, with consideration for the school's strategy and any broader macro financial implications. The 2022 Audited Financial Report and accompanying notes were received and approved by the members at the AGM. In addition, Members approved the appointment of a new Auditor for the school, Field Group. The incumbent auditor has been working for North-Eastern Montessori School for over seven years. It is good governance to change to a new auditor after this amount of time. Field Group Ltd was recommended to the community as they can provide the same level of service for a similar cost.

With three vacant Board Elected positions, we are very pleased to announce that Faza Fauzi, Fiona Grandage and Bernadette Nzenza have now been elected to the Board for 3-year terms. Congratulations to all our new Directors!

We would also like to thank Shlomo Yeshurun for putting his name forward for nomination, we truly appreciate the support.

Members approved all three proposed changes to the School Constitution. These changes related to membership and Board positions, ability for payment for the Board Chair and increased length of tenure for Directors. We greatly appreciate all the feedback from community members with regards to the Constitution changes.

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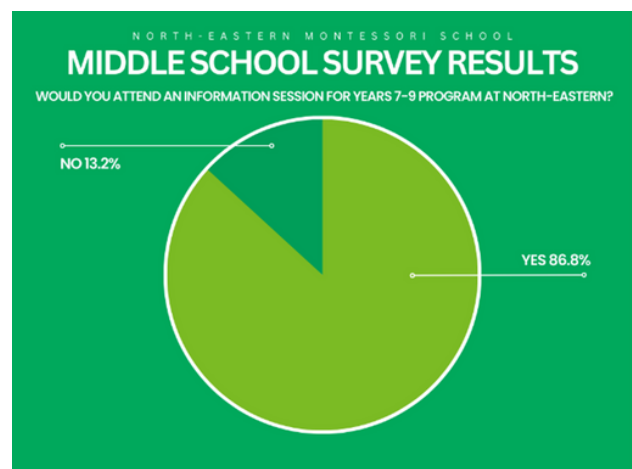
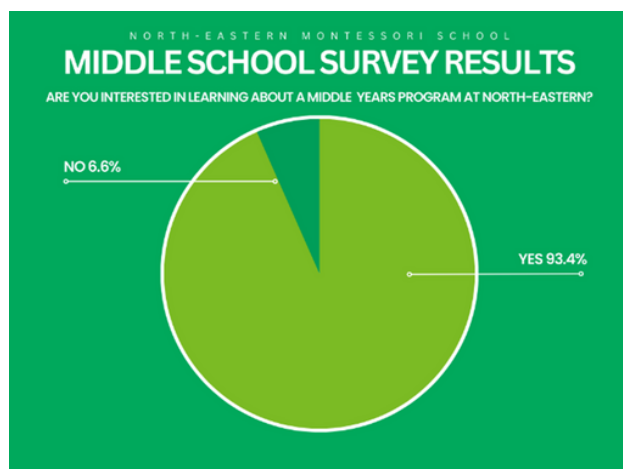
Janis presented updates on both the building of the Community Hub Project and the potential Middle Years Program at North-Eastern. These are both exciting opportunities for our school and reflect the continued progress of the school's Strategic Plan. It was great to see the interest for a Middle Years program from within our community reflected in the results of the survey recently completed. With responses from 91 of our Cycle 1 – Cycle 3 Families, 93% of these families indicating that they are interested in learning more about a Middle Years program and 86% indicating they are interested in attending an information session about a Middle Years program.

Given this very strong positive result from our community the Board and Management will certainly be continuing their work to assess and strategise what a potential Middle Years program could be for North-Eastern. We will be providing more detail on this to the community as it is available.

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Finally, I would like to sincerely thank Janis, Natalie and Elissa for organising such a lovely evening.

Ellen McOmish  
Board Chair