

Minutes for P&F Meeting

Thursday 6th June 2013

1. Prayer & Welcome - see attachment A
2. Record of Attendances - Megan Waterhouse, Renee Heaney, Kevin Coote, Fiona Bolton, Katrina Biscan, Trent Foster, Patti Cox, Richard Gibbs, Angela Gibbs, Olivia Hughes, Jodie Frost-Foster, Sophie Kakkoufas, Karin Mosquera, Kiani Plain, Karen Plain, Wendy Nunn, Janelle Campbell-Taylor, Michelle Cormack, Philipa Caulfield, Nicole Cumming, Michelle Perry, Annabel Cockerton, Leona Holliday, Adrienne Prazauskas, Tania Tracey.

Apologies - Karen Hayhurst, Cindy Hird & Fadia O'Hannessian..

3. Confirmation & acceptance of the Minutes from previous meeting - Moved - Patti Cox. 2nd - Katrina Biscan.

4. Correspondence In - Brad Prazauskas x 2
Philipa Caulfield
Angela Gibbs

5. Correspondence Out - Renee Heaney x 2

6. Reports.

Principals Report -

Since Last Meeting - 7/6 Pupil Free day.

ICAS starting. Excursion Yr 5 Parliament House Sydney, Yr 3 The Rocks, Yr 2 Bus, Train & Ferry, Yr 1 Shelters- Australia Walkabout Park..

Reports going home 24/7, Recent Baptism of 7 School children.

Peer Support - Bucket Fillers - Good things in / Bad things out.

Kid Matter Day - last Wednesday of this term.

Liz Douglas to do a talk to Parents on 'Kids Matter', Netball match with students & teachers. Sausage Sizzle - parents welcome.

Treasurers Report - Balance \$7709.45

Canteen Report - Approx \$3500

Sports report - CCC Swimming Carnival saw 30 kids. Nick Vane Tempest.

CCC Touch Football on.

Cross Country - Daniela Pizatta & Sophie Holliday.

Jess Sawyer - Touch Footy

Athletics Carnival 14/6/13.

Infants completing Gross Motor skills.

Thanks to Parents for Volunteering for Athletics Carnival.

Earn & Learns stickers progressing nicely - finishing soon.

7. General Business.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle. 10/8/2013

As discussion arose regarding Fundraising Levy & the Fundraising from Sausage Sizzle/Trivia night. Angela Gibbs wanted a more detail list of what funds were being spent on, Brad P had questions - Constitution Point 13.

Katrina Biscan addressed this matter and advised that from the Sausage Sizzle & the Trivia Night funds raised came to a total of approx \$1200. Under point 13 in the Constitution this kind of Fundraising was considered minor as funds were not significant as opposed to a Fete raising \$30-\$40k.

Can we fundraise on top of the levy?

In 2007, in response to the busy lives parents lead which invariably leaves us very short of personnel willing to put in the many hours required to undertake major fundraising exercises such as a fete, a P & F levy of \$96/family was introduced. This is in line with many schools who nowadays find themselves in the same position with time-poor families. However, there are events that take place during the year of which the primary function is to build community or are offered as a service, eg. Mothers' and Fathers' day stalls, the Annual Dinner Dance, Trivia and Games Night, the Second Hand Uniform Shop, the canteen and the Bunnings BBQ. These events/services have a necessary monetary component and any profit from these, which ranges from \$500-\$1500, is donated with the P&F levy towards the items mentioned in the above "wish list".

**It is worth noting that these events/services are purely voluntary and parents who object to building community and/or raising funds to purchase resources for the children/improve the school facilities do not have to participate.*

As part of the additional funds required for the school, we are now faced with having to replace a retaining wall which Nicole Cumming has had quotes to repair at \$9k. Annabelle suggested that if materials were bought her husband would erect in

conjunction with a working bee. Nicole to check with the Diocese that regulations regarding structural repairs and warranty of materials if not completed by a qualified installer.

Trivia Night 24/8/2013

Can we serve alcohol instead on people BYO. This would give us a better return and make more money on the night. Committee formed - with Philipa in charge to investigate and report back.

Garden of Tranquillity

St Edwards completing their White Tickets. Need funds min \$5k to \$10k.

In the process of getting firm quotes.

Bobcat required to come and level area to some extent. Up to \$500

New stairs required from Basketball area down to the area.

Screen required to hide Water tanks.

Like Japanese gardens. Raised walkways, Boxed seats.

Native plants from Council.

TAS department teachers finalising plans plus materials & costings.

Mothers Day Stall

As per Angela Gibbs letter, she was disappointed in how the stall was run. Her son missed out on a gift. Huge discussions followed regarding cost for value. Felt that the gifts that were advertised and selected by the child was not available from the stall. Kids disappointed & parents disappointed.

A sub Committee was formed for the Fathers Day Stall

Parents included - Angela Gibbs, Karen Plain, Adrienne, Cindy Hird & Sophie Kakkoufas.

The P&F Levy funds

Refer above discussions. Funds dispersed as per below:

250 families x \$96 = \$24,000

Nicole's Wish list

At the first P & F meeting held each year I put a "wish list" forward to the P & F to which they donate their funds, in line with the constitution which states, "Funds are transferred to the school as a donation to support and contribute to the resourcing of the school's strategic plan. All donations are to be transferred expeditiously, in full and without restriction."

The wish list put forward at the first meeting this year (2013) includes:

<i>Levelled readers</i>	<i>\$10-20000</i>
<i>Fabric for the walls in the infants' classrooms for displays</i>	<i>\$7500</i>
<i>IT (replacing, adding computers)</i>	<i>\$10-20000</i>
<i>Replacing the damaged Infants Retaining Wall</i>	<i>\$9000</i>
<i>Garden of Tranquillity (doing up the area beyond the basketball court on the primary campus to be attractive and user friendly for the children)</i>	<i>\$10000</i>
<i>Representative sport uniforms for Gala Days</i>	<i>\$2000</i>

2nd Hand Uniform shop.

Small amount of income to the School to complete the wishlist.

Drop Off Zone.

Leona Holliday has completed a letter to go to Council.

Maybe we could get a petition together to get residents to sign about the Drop Off Zone.

Angela Gibbs suggested a Sub Committee - Leona Holliday, Angela Gibbs, and Philipa Caulfield.

School to also advertise that parents can drop infants on Primary side and they will be walked over to the Infants side in the Morning

Canteen

Again the canteen matter was discussed with suggestions of alternative healthy food.

A sub committee was formed including Angela Gibbs, Philipa Caulfield, Michelle Cormack, Karen Plain, Leona Holliday & Yolanda.

Renee said that she had completed extensive research and found that little or no Green Foods could be found that were pre-packaged.

Approx costing for Canteen Manager \$28k

No demand for sandwiches



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Maybe we could look at Preordered - Themed days.

Need to get away from Chicken fingers and look at fresh Chicken Burgers....

Also Renee still looking at alternative online ordering.

Pastoral Care Parents.

This to be revisited in the Newsletter by Nicole.

What their job is, Who each class parent is & Cards in the office....

**** Next Meeting - AGM 15th August 2012. 7pm. ****

**** All Welcome. ****