

## **P&C ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES**

**Date:** 3 November 2020, 7:06pm

**Venue:** Online Meeting Via Zoom (due to social distancing measures for Coronavirus)

**Attendance:** Mel Saunders (Mel S), Matt Soltau (MS), Aaron Holborow (AH1), James Brisebois (JB), Nick Davies (ND), Rob Feltscheer (RF), Kim Feltscheer (KF), Jenni Davies (JD), Ada Holborow (AH2)

Principal: Justin Hong

**Apologies:** Fiona Aldred (FA), Deborah Howard (DH), Karen Whiley (KW), Karena Comber (KC), Katrina Ginsburg (KG), Jude Nicoll (JN), Rob Nicoll (RN),

### **Principal's Report:**

Mr Hong began by thanking the P & C for World Teachers Day involvement (Mel S sent an email and added to Facebook group our thanks to the teaching staff).

#### Yr 6 Orientation Day:

Will happen this year. Important to come to the school to familiarize with the surroundings. All will happen the same as usual except parents can pay for things online rather than in person. Kids will be dropped off at the gate. No parents on site, no morning tea.

Q: How do parents book timeslots? A: There's a booklet telling parents how to go about it. Sent out today.

#### Presentation Day

Not likely to allow parents onsite that day. The event will be a daytime event instead of evening and it will be livestreamed as per the Yr 12 graduation. Very successful for that, so the expectation is the same will occur again for Presentation Day. Parents will see their child receive their awards and be able to record the event for posterity.

Unlikely to have special guests this time, but there will be a musical item etc.

#### Merit Selection Panels

Very difficult to organize. But 15 of 20 positions filled. Very hard to find Maths teachers and woodwork teachers across the state but the school is doing their best. Parents who have been involved have helped enormously and thanks for that.

900 students in the school for next year which is great.

Putting together a strategic plan for the next 3 years but has held off because of the restrictions, so putting together a draft which will be presented to P & C early next year to be more efficient. Can't involve parents and prospective parents at this time so the plan will be distributed to the group later. Plan to be completed by term 1 next year. Situational analysis has been done which helps coordinate the plan. Apologies not to be as consultative as usual but it's a feature of the times.

Mel S offers to come into the school to have a small group chat to broaden the discussion. Mr Hong agrees that would be a good idea. If coffee is part of the process!

Mr Hong mentioned there are now 3 flag poles being installed so we can fly the Aboriginal flag as well as National and State flags.

### **Treasurer's Report (Matt Soltau):**

Over last 2 months a fair amount of money come in – \$16,700 from canteen, over \$7,000 from fees and also a saving from aquabubblers.

\$1500 went out for accounting fees. \$11,000 is allocated for gardens, \$7,000 for front of school. So, of \$94,000 in the bank, \$60,000 is available.

### **President's Report (Mel Saunders):**

Canteen: going really well. Need to hire another person for the canteen. Existing ladies have raised their hours by an hour or two each so an extra person is needed.

Keeping \$10,000 in reserve in case it's required for tax or whatever but hope we'll make an extra profit of \$10,000 relative to last year.

Jobseeker now finished so canteen staff back onto normal salaries.

International Gardens: Manor Landscapes will do the work, waiting on a schedule to coordinate when it will begin. Hope to finish before the next school year. Still need to get a quote for shade sail over pingpong table and furniture. Should be able to get quotes in the next week or so.

Front of School: Everyone very happy with Paul's work so looking forward to seeing the results of that process.

Money: We're in a good place but Mel S plans to set up a GoFundMe page to encourage extra fundraising. Also seeking extra funds through grants where possible.

### **Other Business**

Any suggestions for what we plan for the future of the school going forward?

Q: What's happening with the KAB awards? A: Mel S applied on behalf of our recycling bins etc. and the school is shortlisted. Live streaming on 12 Nov. Also Northern Beaches Council nominated, so we can dial in and see if we get one of two possible awards!

Q: Update on pickup/dropoff area? A: Application put in to review the side entrance on South Creek Road. Initial application rejected but after escalation, there was a meeting with Transport Network Manager who agreed changes are needed. Proposal being formulated to come up with ideas to fix the problem. Awaiting that proposal, and when it is approved we should get it sorted by mid-2021.

Q: Where does co-mingled waste go? A: Picked up by truck once a week. No room for a big bin as the car park is already full.

### **Close:**

The meeting was officially closed at 7:43pm

### **Next Meeting:**

Week 8 Term 4