

Booragoon Primary School P&C Association

Minutes of General Meeting Wednesday 26 February 2018

Held: Booragoon Primary School Staffroom
Meeting Opened: 7.00pm

ATTENDANCE

Barbara Horan
Kendall Brown
Kelly Drabble
Tracy Barrow
Evelyn Praxyl

Ashley Bird
Karolina Plange
Yun Wang
Nika Engel
Kate Pascoe

Hamish McElwee
Sarah Forbes
Sharon Russell
Janine Jenkins
Sopheak Cowell

APOLOGIES

Sandra Putt
Sarah Allen

Paul Buckman
Kylie Buckman

Rob Butler
Nicky Buchan

ITEMS

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<p>1. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting</p> <p>Motion: That the minutes of the previous General Meeting of Booragoon Primary School P&C Association held on 27 November 2017 be confirmed as an accurate record.</p> <p>Moved: Ashley Bird Seconded: Barbara Horan</p>	<p>Motion carried</p>
<p>2. Business Arising from Previous Minutes</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">- n/a</p>	
<p>3. Correspondence</p> <p>3.1 Correspondence In:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email from 'Resilience Kit' offering to run a 'kids and anxiety' community seminar at the school for parents. It was discussed that this subject is already addressed / catered for within existing school systems and resources. <p>3.2 Correspondence Out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • n/a 	
<p>4. Reports / updates</p> <p>4.1 Principal's Report – Barbara Horan</p> <p><u>ADMINISTRATION</u></p> <p>➤ Current enrolment – 386 students. We have 12 x classes from years 1-6, 2 x Pre Primary classes and 2 x Kindy classes. Our numbers are down on previous years, largely due to the over-flow Kindy re-locating to Mt Pleasant this year.</p>	

- Our staff changes have been minimal this year. At the end of 2017 we farewelled Mrs Bochenek (to Mt Pleasant), Miss Rate (to Tranby College) and Mrs Vassallo, who is taking a break from teaching.
- We welcome Ms Grigg, our new Japanese LOTE teacher, who is also teaching Year 3 with Mrs Smith. In order to accommodate LOTE, which is (again) a compulsory subject as of this year from Year 3 upwards, students in those years will study Visual Arts for a semester; and Drama for a semester. This arrangement has enabled us to maintain all of our Arts areas.
- The Department of Education is currently reviewing the Student Centred Funding Model; as well as developing a new model of IPS school reviews. We are scheduled for a review in the second half of this year, but at this point we have no idea what form it will take, or what will be required.
- It's fantastic to have both the Year 1-5; and the Year 6 beach swimming behind us by the end of Week 4. Although there was some pressure with swimming commencing within three days of the start of the school year, it all went very smoothly and the children enjoyed being able to swim when the weather was at its best.
- All teachers have now held their parent meetings, which were extremely well attended.

STUDENTS

- Year 6 presented their House Leader/Faction Leader speeches this morning. The standard of speeches was, as always, outstanding. Successful candidates will be announced at this week's assembly.
- Year 6 leaders will participate in the National Young Leaders Day event on 9th March. It's taking place at the Perth Convention Centre, and students will have the opportunity to hear from a range of inspirational speakers and positive role models on the optic of 'leadership'.
- Students from Notre Dame University will be conducting tabloid games for Years 1 and 2 on 7th March.
- The interschool swimming carnival will take place on 13th March. Mr Godwin is organising the event, and is currently working on the competitors lists.
- On 6th April our senior students are involved in a lightening carnival in Lacrosse and Cricket.

CURRICULUM

- The implementation of the Australian Curriculum has been managed in a staged process over the last four years. This year, LOTE and The Arts need to be fully implemented, and reported against from Semester One. Two new areas, also due to full implementation this year have been added to the learning areas – Design and Technologies and Digital Technologies. Mrs Fletcher is working one day per week supporting teachers as they gain confidence in developing programs and assessment regimes. She and Mrs Visser were heavily involved in an Australia-wide STEM program throughout last year, providing them with the expertise to drive the implementation across the school.

GROUNDS AND FACILITIES

- Late last year Ashley wrote a letter to the Melville City Council, seeking support in alleviating the critical parking issues in several areas of the school. The letter received a really positive response, largely because he outlined ways in which the school and the council would work together to address the issues. A city councillor visited the school at the end of the year to canvass suggestions, and he subsequently arranged for an officer to come out and assess the area for possible works. Trouble spots those are adjacent to the double gates onto the oval, the corner of Clements Road and The Ramble, and the parallel parking along The Ramble. The drawing up of plans is definitely going ahead, though we may not see much action before about July.
- Joy at last!! The Department has allocated \$60,000 towards completing the

<p>refurbishment of the junior and middle student toilets. This will pay for vinyl flooring, some tile replacement, new mirrors, and sanding and coating the cubicle toilet dividers.</p> <p>➤ I'd like to make a request of the Grounds Committee. They were involved in preparing the ground in front of the soccer goals (which has long been really problematic) for the planting of grass. The suggestion was made last year to set up an alternative pitch further down the oval, in order to preserve the grass. I wonder if this can be progressed?</p>	
<p>4.2 Treasurer's Report – Ashley Bird</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current cash balance is \$77.5k, of which \$68.7k is allocated and \$8.8k is unallocated. • The solar project is included in the allocated amounts, but funds have not yet been allocated to Appropriations (last year \$15k) or graduation (last year \$3.5k). Funds will be allocated to these as P&C contributions come in (expected to be about \$11k based on prior years). <p>Motion:</p> <p>That \$900 be allocated to Champion Dads to increase their 'float' for organising Champion Dads activities back to \$1000.</p> <p>Moved: Ashley Bird</p> <p>Seconded: Tracy Barrow</p> <p>Motion:</p> <p>That the funds current allocated to Nature Play 3 (of \$5,277.24) be reallocated back to general funds, given there is not yet a firm plan or timeline for nature play 3 and given the current shortfall of unallocated funds for required 2018 spending. (Funds may be reallocated to Nature Play 3 again in future if and when that project progresses further.)</p> <p>Moved: Ashley Bird</p> <p>Seconded: Barb Horan</p>	<p>Motion carried</p> <p>Motion carried</p>
<p>4.3 Canteen update – Kendall Brown</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canteen went well last year and made a profit of about \$2k. • Canteen continues to run Wed-Fri, with lunchbox menu available on Mon and Tues. • One of the Canteen chest freezers has recently died. Kendall will look into cost to repair or replace. • A suggestion was made that coffee be made available before Friday assemblies, as an additional canteen fundraiser. General consensus was that this would be a good idea. People who work the coffee machine get reserved front row seats at the assembly that day. • Another idea raised was 'ice cream Fridays' – apparently these are run very successfully by Darch Primary School. 	
<p>4.4 Social Committee update – Hamish McElwee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fundraising events for Term 1 2018 will be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bunnings BBQ (17 March 2018). Hamish is coordinating. 	

<p>Organising year group is year 3. Request has gone out to parents for volunteers – about half the shifts have been filled so far.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Easter Raffle. Organising year group is pre-primary. Coordinator to be confirmed. [Note – Robyn Munro has since volunteered to coordinate the Easter Raffle] ○ Term 2-4 Fundraisers are to be confirmed. 	
<p>4.5 Champion Dads and Ground Committee – Hamish McElwee</p> <p><u>Champion Dads:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful PP & Kindy intro with Kids in Sports on 14th Feb, saw just over 20 dads plus kids turn up. • Dads & kids camp out planning under way for Friday 23rd March <p><u>Grounds committee:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hamish will request that grounds committee has a working bee before the end of term 1 – to move the soccer goalposts and spread some mulch on nature play 1. 	
<p>4.6 School Board Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A. Next School Board meeting will be held soon. 	
<p>4.7 Safety House update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	
<p>4.8 Kitchen Garden update – Hamish McElwee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gnomes club will again be held during 2018 each Sunday at 2pm (commencing on Sunday 4 March). EOI forms have been sent to parents. • The format is being changed this year, to open up the club to all year groups (previously open only to year 3 above), and to parents to come along with their children. Pop up shop (self-serve esky) will continue to be each Monday outside the admin building, the same as last year. 	
<p>4.9 School Banking update – Sarah Forbes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Commonwealth Bank has changed the funding formula / arrangements for School Banking this year. The Bank donates \$5 to the school for every 10 deposits made by each student (i.e maximum of \$20/student/year if they bank every week). The Bank donation is the same regardless of how much the student deposits (i.e. its based on the number of deposits, not size of deposits, to encourage regular saving). Minimum deposit per week is 5 cents. 	
<p>4.10 Uniform shop update – Sandra Putt (in absentia)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second hand uniform store has been busy with enquiries and sales • This year the day and location of the pop up store have been changed. First pop up store for the year is Thursday 1 March, on the canteen 	

<p>verandah from 2.30pm.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sales for the last few months of 2017 were a total of \$540. 	
<p>5. General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solar project installation is likely to commence shortly all going to plan. The Department has received all tenders for the work, and will shortly advise the school and P&C of the recommended supplier (likely the lowest quote that meets the technical specifications). • P&C App – discussion regarding usage levels and whether to continue with the App this year, given the \$500 annual cost + other content update costs. Ashley will discuss with Jason Whitewood whether he has data on current usage levels – to be discussed further at next P&C meeting. 	<p>Ashley to speak to Jason Whitewood</p>
<p>6. Next Meeting</p> <p>Next meeting (Annual General Meeting) will be held in the staffroom on Monday 26 March at 7.00pm.</p> <p>Meeting Closed: 8.35 pm</p>	