

General Meeting – Minutes

Meeting Date & Time: Tuesday 8 September, 7.00pm

Meeting Location: Nicholson Street Public School

Attendees: Ashley McGrath, Sandy Pedley, Julie Miller, Lucy Norrish, Kirsten Gleichman, Chris Freel, Carly Freel, Devina Solanki, Sarah Straker-Williams, Kathryn Reynolds, Larni Malcolm, Todd Buncombe, Sue Ross, Annelie Child, Mark Lee, Hayes Montgomery, Nicole Wilcox, Andrew Robinson, Bree Mankim, Julia Fairley

Apologies: Kimmie Neidhart

	Topic	Person Responsible
1.0	Meeting Opened & Welcome New Members: <i>none</i>	Ashley McGrath
2.0	Approval of Previous Minutes	Ashley McGrath
3.0	Introduction	
3.1	Social and Fundraising Update - <i>Chris outlined the successful fundraising over the past weeks – Trivia Night, Father’s Day lunch and Spin the Wheel, and Fruit & Veg month.</i>	Chris Freel
3.2	Outdoor Learning and Healthy Classrooms – <i>Ashley confirmed that the AC units have been agreed upon, School Assets has been engaged with along with a heritage consultant. The plan is for the AC units to be installed in the next school holidays.</i> <i>THE COLA Rollout has started. Todd explained that there is a slight delay with approval of materials but that things are generally on track</i>	Ashley McGrath
3.3	Sport and Physical Education Survey - <i>Great engagement with 59 responses to the survey. Results are to be collated and reviewed by the Sub-Committee and this will form part of the recommendation.</i>	Ashley McGrath
3.4	New P&C website - <i>Ashley detailed the new P&C website</i>	Ashley McGrath
4.0	Reports	
4.1	Music and Arts Program Sub-Committee - <i>Thank you to the P&C for the new keyboards.</i>	Kathryn Reynolds

	<p><i>Some new and exciting projects happening in Concert Band. Starting the school song process.</i></p> <p><i>Thank you to Sue for being so flexible with all things Covid-related.</i></p> <p><i>Meeting with our local cellist tomorrow to start discussions about collaborating with our school</i></p>	
4.2	<p>Halloween Festival - <i>We have already generated \$8k. Sales of the book are expected to generate \$15-\$20k.</i></p> <p><i>Over 50 businesses have signed up. As they are all local, the book contains significant savings at businesses that people would normally use. Devina also made the point that this is a good way to show the community how we have adapted in Covid. This will be launched on the website.</i></p> <p><i>Halloween parade on Friday 30 October at school for children to dress up</i></p>	Devina Solanki
4.3	<p>Other achievements - <i>Ashley ran through the urban garden refresh, the NASA Community Day, school song, the September working bee and the submission for reinstatement of DGR and charity status.</i></p>	Ashley McGrath
4.4	<p>Treasurer Report – <i>We are largely on track with the budget we set. Larni detailed the current position as at the end of August.</i></p> <p><i>A question re the maximum amount that we can spend on items without a vote. Ashley detailed that this is \$1000. A request from a parent for soil for the garden. Waiting for a response from Bunnings as to whether they can donate soil. Failing that, could it be approved through the P&C Executive Committee?</i></p>	Larni Malcolm
4.5	<p>Principal's Report - <i>Congratulations to the teachers and students.</i></p> <p><i>Thank you to the P&C for the fruit and veg boxes and to Craig and Mandy at 60 Darling St Deli for supporting our school. Thank you to the P&C for the delivery of the fruit and veg that arrived at school. Thank you for all the fundraisers in the past month.</i></p> <p><i>Congratulations to Daniel Lee, Nunik Alexander and Kathryn Reynolds for the awards that they just won.</i></p>	Sue Ross

	<p><i>Sue highlighted the importance of safely parking at the school when dropping and collecting children.</i></p> <p><i>Covid – Daily updates come through re Covid. We are looking at these things every day and get any further health guidelines that we need to implement. Hopefully next term we may be able to reinstate some activities that the school hasn't been allowed to do.</i></p> <p><i>Check in literacy and numeracy assessments have been conducted for Year 5. The school is currently analysing the results. Year three children will be participating in these in week 10. These give teachers a point-in-time-idea as to where children are in terms of literacy and numeracy. The school will try to get some data to parents.</i></p> <p><i>All classes started the Netball program last week which seems to have been a success.</i></p> <p><i>Further discussion to be had with Ashley re sport in Term 4</i></p> <p><i>ICAS assessments have taken place. A second sitting window will take place in term 4.</i></p> <p><i>Kindergarten 2020 enrolments have started. On site orientation is not allowed but Julie Miller and Bianca Carson are compiling a video to showcase our school. The first viewing of the video will be by our 2020 Kindy children and parents.</i></p> <p><i>The school does need more children attending Chess Club. Only 6 this term. When the club first started, there were 36 children enrolled.</i></p> <p><i>Kathryn Reynolds won the 'Public School Parent of the Year' award. Congratulations Kathryn – so well deserved.</i></p> <p><i>Sue Ross shared the 2021-2024 School Excellence Cycle Presentation. Ashley offered help to Sue in the formulation of the plan which Sue welcomed.</i></p>	
5.0	General Business	
5.1	<p>Funding Requests and Required Decisions – None at this time.</p> <p><i>Sue Ross asked a question. The school has plans for a Colour Run in Term 4. Sue asked if a P&C member could attend a staff meeting.</i></p>	Ashley McGrath

5.2	<p>Six month workplan – We are looking to add one more trivia night. Halloween is the immediate focus. Air Conditioning and urban garden beyond that.</p>	Ashley McGrath
5.3	<p>Any other business - Larni said we had some feedback on the Grant Submission. He said it was the best submission he had ever seen. Well done Sarah Straker-Williams and Chris Freel.</p> <p>Chris said he is proud to be a member of this community. Sue reiterated that the school can not work alone and they need the strong support of the parents and community.</p> <p>Devina – caps are back in stock in the uniform shop.</p> <p>Carly – asked whether there is an idea for some kind of car line for pick up. Some discussion around this. Has been discussed many times in the past and is something that can be re-visited. We can't do the same kind of car lines as other schools as we only have a local street for a three-point turn.</p>	Ashley McGrath
8.0	<p>Meeting Closed:</p> <p>Next Meeting : Tuesday 13 October</p>	Ashley McGrath