Minutes to P & F Meeting

Held in the staff room at 7pm on Wednesday 20th July, 2016.

Welcome / Prayer / Reflection,

Present: Paula MacKenzie, Lisette Tilbrook, Taryn York, Libby Murray, Claire Treasure, Susie McAtee, Mel Mosele, Amara Warner, Pia Riachi, Katrina Catalano, Tracy Ashworth, Kirsten Birnie, Sheree Angel, Laura Clipperton, Emily Fyshe, Aliesha Edwards, Danielle Forrest, Anne Scassera,

Apologies: Belinda Old, Helen Barry, Kim Basile, Sarah Tyrell, Jodi Elston, Tania Napoli, Kelly Catalano

Minutes of previous Meeting
1st Paula MacKenzie 2nd Libby Murray

Actions from Previous Minutes:
Movie Night: Friday 16th September. Movies will be advised closer the time. P&F discussed the idea of having Footy on another TV for parents to watch. To be discussed at the next meeting.

Cleaning Raffle: Friday 2nd September at line up. Taryn has spoken with the cleaning company who advised they are happy to go to Binningup, Brunswick all the way through to Dalyellup.

Taryn also confirmed the 3rd prize will be a one off window or carpet clean. The winner can choose either or.

Security cameras: Paula obtained a quote to upgrade existing cabling and security cameras and install new ones where required. The quote came in around $19k. Two further quotes will be obtained before any decision is made.

Correspondence

Correspondence Out: None
Correspondence In: None
Reports

Principal Report

Matters Arising

I have quotes for the cameras from Security Man; presently they are the company that has installed all our cameras. We have cameras around the classrooms they are the oldest cameras to upgrade the cameras and re-cable will cost $5,850 the camera’s that connect into the library to upgrade and re-cable will cost $7450. The cost to place two cameras in the Kindy is $4238 and to have three cameras in the pre-primary is $4397. Therefore, to add cameras to the kindy and pre-primary and upgrade all our cameras the total cost is $19,826.

Thanks to the generosity of the P & F we have paid the subscription for the reading eggs and express for all our children until next May. All children should have their log on details and hopefully parents will make good use of this. We will advertise it in the newsletter.

Thanks to Kelly Catalano our new basketball tops and bottoms have been ordered and they look sensational, so thank you to Kelly for her hard work and attention to detail.

Principal Report

The new bus embayment is now almost installed and we will have a clear idea of the room we have left for the bush play area. A note went home last term and parents have until next week to respond if they would rather their child does not play in this area. Once the embayment is complete I will meet with our P & F volunteers to discuss where too next.

Our cross country was held last week of term and it was again a wonderful success thanks to Cath Hancock and her wonderful organisational skills. Next year we are looking at including the Kindy as part of the run so keep watching.

This week I have been conducting the interviews for 2017 kindergarten placements. We hope that all parents have enrolled their children in the kindy that wish to join us.

We had our end of term Mass on the last day and it was a wonderful way to finish off the term. The theme of the Mass was Honouring each other which as you know is one of our core values at Leschenault.

Reports went home on the last day we are hoping that by the end of the year reports will be sent home online, but we will keep you informed.

All the new devices have arrived so overt the next week you will hear about the new Ipads, laptops, chrome books and desktops that have entered the classrooms. A big thank you to Luke for assisting in the implementation of the new technology.

Requests

Presently we have been trailing the new red cat system in year six, this system comes with two microphones and six pods, after speaking with the children and the teachers it has been very effective. We would like to purchase the red cat system. The system we have is $6534 we have been offered a
discount of $1595 so the cost of the system would be $4942. I believe it would be very beneficial for our students and staff.

**Board Report** – Board meeting not until tomorrow night, Thursday 21st July. Danielle will advise at next meeting.

**Treasurer Report**
Bank balance of $25,908.52. Plus the Term Deposit of $5711.11. Total $31,619.63.

**General Business**

**Nature Play area**: Now that the bus embayment is completed we can get started on the Nature Play area. It will be established at the junior area, opposite the staff car park. A fence will need to be erected to surround the nature play area. Students will enter the area from the oval. Claire Treasure advised that Monica Jessop is going to walk students around the bush area to get ideas from the students about what they would like to see in this play area. From there we will obtain quotes for the work to be carried out. These quotes will be discussed at the P&F Meetings for possible funding.

Paula advised that all families seem to be happy to go ahead with the play area as none of the surveys that were sent out have been returned.

Paula also advised that rosters will be put in place to allow all year groups time to play in the Nature Play area. Furthermore, teachers recess and lunch duty will need to change to allow for adequate supervision.

Paula is obtaining quotes for the fencing around the Nature Play area.

**Basketball uniform**: Kelly has ordered the basketball kits. They will arrive in 2 weesks – on time for the Basketball carnival on 10th August.

**Redcat Pods**: See item in Principal Report above. P&F agreed to fund $4942 to purchase Redcat Pods for Year 6 classes.

**Parent’s Social Night** - Katrina Catalano and Anne Scassera advised they are organising The Leschenault Cup Horseracing event in the undercover area. They are looking at the following dates - 27th August or 29 October. It will be an eight race event and they are seeking corporate bodies to sponsor each race. The sponsor will name their horse. Katrina advised if we provide the ‘bookies’ this will bring the cost of the ticket down. But at this stage the ticket prices may be around $25-$30. Katrina also said that supper may be provided and that there will be a DJ at the event.

Emily Fyshe advised that she will be able to provide a double door fridge for this night. She is also giving Paula a quote to perhaps purchase a double door fridge for future events.
**School Disco:** Next Friday 5th August. Everything has been organised and all set to go. A lot of our mums have volunteered to help out on the night. Emily Fyshe volunteered to the sausage sizzle and Libby Murray volunteered to help her.

Profits from sausage sizzle go back to help fund the Nature Play Area. Em needs a letter to ask for donations.

**Fathers Day Stall.** Emily Fyshe is eager to organise and help out at the Fathers Days stall this year. Therefore, on Wednesday 31st August Kindy Blue will be able to purchase their gifts. Libby Murray will help on this day. Then on Thursday 1st September the remainder of the school will purchase their gifts.

**Flooring in undercover area:** Anne Scassera advised that her sister works in a carpet store. She could obtain quotes for flooring in the undercover area. Paula would be keen to obtain quotes on long mats (that can fit a whole class) that can be rolled out and back. Paula will give Anne measurements to obtain quotes.

**Uniforms:** Katrina Catalano advised that information coming from the uniform shop is advising parents not to go buying too many current uniform items because the uniform is changing. Paula advised at this stage the uniform is not changing. We are currently holding ample material to last at least 2 years.

**Frozen grapes on canteen menu:** Kirsten Birnie advised that the canteen is selling frozen grapes. This could be a potential choking hazard. Paula will speak to Steph.

**Chewing gum:** Danielle Forrest advised that a student was given chewing gum by a teacher as a reward. Paula advised that no chewing gum is allowed in school and will attend to this matter.

**Pre-Primary recess:** Emily Fyshe asked if our pre-primary classes can order recess. She has spoken with Steph in the canteen who advised that she is happy to take this on board. Paula happy with this also. Emily will ask Luke Portolan to put a message on the APP.

Meeting closed at 8.20 PM

Next Meeting will be held at 7pm Wednesday 31st August 2016

*Christianity Friendship Respect*