Minutes to P & F Meeting

Held in the staff room at 7pm on Wednesday 31st August, 2016.

Welcome / Prayer / Reflection

Present: Paula MacKenzie, Lisette Tilbrook, Taryn York, Monette Coulson, Tania Napoli, Claire Treasure, Belinda Old, Jodi Elston, Lisa Dudek, Julie Blythe, Kelly Catalano, Danielle Forrest, Kirsten Birnie

Apologies: Sheree Angel, Amara Warner, Aliesha Edwards, Mel Mosele, Pia Riachi, Libby Murray, Emily Fyshe, Michelle Williams, Tracy Ashworth, Susie McAtee

Minutes of previous Meeting
1st Paula MacKenzie  2nd Katrina Catalano

Actions from Previous Minutes:
Movie Night: The movie night will now be taking place in 4th term. Date and movie to be advised.


The Leschenault Cup: Saturday 29th October. Jodi Elston has organised posters/tickets etc. Posters will be put up next week. Tickets will go on sale last 2 weeks of term and will be sold from front office. Class reps to also sell tickets at the classroom door. 20 bookies will be required on the night – class reps will ask for volunteers. Kym Pennefather will coordinate this bookie team. Training will be provided on the night. Bookies are not able to place bets. 8 corporate sponsors have been secured. Tickets will be $35 including supper. There will be a fashion of the fields prize. Licence application is being organised and paid for.

Undercover Area Flooring  - carry over to next meeting.
Correspondence
Correspondence Out: Licence Application for cleaning raffle
Correspondence In: Family Portrait Fundraiser. Brunswick Junction Flowers Tax Invoice.

Reports
Principal Report

Staff are very thankful for the P & F paying for the reading eggs and reading express and it has been great watching the interest of the children on this program. Many children come into homework club to work on homework then to continue on the reading eggs/express programs. This will take us through to May next year, perhaps we as a P & F could consider paying for this program again next year if parents can see value in it.

Also I would like to mention that this year we have trialled Mathletics in Year Six and it has been well received by the students. Like the reading eggs/express children are placed on levels and can work through the program at their own rates. Teachers can set work for the children depending on the topics they are teaching. The program can cost $90 for the year if a parent wants to take it up if a school takes it up the cost is $30 per child. I would like us to think about this program for next year. We all agree that Maths and literacy are two very important programs and both this programs help children and are levelled at their understanding and can be directed to assist their learning. We don’t need to make a decision just yet but I thought I would mention it for next year as a possible suggestion.

Principal Report

Raffle
The cleaning raffle looks great and we are having a wonderful response to the raffle. Thank you to Taryn and our wonderful mums who came in and put the tickets together, they look great and people are keen to win, always a good sign.

New School App
Presently we have our school app and over time we have had a few issues with the App when it has had difficulty updating. We feel now that as we have our new website it would useful to clone it with the App. Presently we are creating the new App but it may be three weeks before we see the new App start so we may have a few issues over the next three weeks until the new App kicks in. We will keep you updated.

Circus Training
This year we have included circus training for our students and they seem to have really enjoyed the experience. They have experienced 5 weeks of circus training they have been exposed to juggling hoops and so much more. Every year we like to have our children experience different events and the circus really did give them something different. Thank you to Brigid Bryce for finding them and Bree Dudek for organising it.

Carnival Time
Next week is going to be a very busy week with all of our carnivals, we begin on Tuesday with the Jumps day then Wednesday we have the junior Carnival and then on Friday the Faction Carnival, weather permitting. It is going to be a wonderful few days and thank you to all our fantastic parent helpers on
these days it really takes a lot of people to make these days fly well. As always Cath Hancock organises great days and the staff and parents fully support her efforts.

**Staff Wish List**
I spoke with the staff about the wish list and they met today to discuss their thoughts and ideas, we have come up with a list from staff that we can look at and decide the way forward. They would like me to thank you all for your willingness to include them, they really appreciated the opportunity to be heard.

**Board Report 21st July 2016 and 16th August 2016**

The board would like to thank the P&F for their fund-raising efforts and donations with purchasing equipment and school resources for the children.

The new bus embayment is completed. No buses will come into the new kiss and drop zone outside the administration building (Mardo kiss and drop).

Upgrading the security cameras – currently in the process of obtaining quotes.

Survey monkey in regards to the girls winter/summer school uniforms was successful in the amount of responses received; there was an overwhelming response to keep the uniform as is.

Fencing the perimeter of the school is being discussed, however funding is currently not available, the board is discussing the possibility to do this in sections.

**Maintenance items**
- A Shelter will need to be installed at the new bus zone
- Maintenance has been attended at the carpark basketball court and outside the church to decrease flooding in these areas.
- Parent help will be needed to do a gardening clean-up

**Treasurer Report**
Bank balance of $31,736.10. Plus the Term Deposit of $57,111.11. Total $37,447.21.

1st Paula Mackenzie 2nd Kirsten Birnie

**General Business**
**Cleaning Raffle:** Tickets on sale now. Extra books are available for sale

**Nature Play area:** Claire Treasure has received a quote from Menshed to build and install a fort at a cost of $1400. All agreed to accept quote and purchase - 10% deposit being paid. Claire also advised that local businesses have offered to provide tyres and piping free of charge. Claire suggested that perhaps we get Bunnings on board as they participate in school incursions relating to sustainability - would be great to get the students involved.
Looking at setting up a Nature Play Area committee. A meeting will be scheduled to ask for parents to volunteer to join.

**School Disco**: Hugely successful event. After expenses a profit of $3,181.28 was made.

**Father’s Day Stall**: A big thank you to Emily Fyshe for organising the Father’s Day stall tomorrow and to Kelly Catalano for organising the float.

**Parent Resource Books**: The school library has a resource section for parents. Parents are able to borrow books from the wide range there is on offer – for example Maggie Dent.

**Fundraiser idea**: Katrina Catalano advised that there is a school fundraiser available; sale/purchase of the childrens book *Being You Is Enough*. The P&F agreed that it is a great idea but we have undertaken enough fundraisers this year. So Katrina will find out the price of purchasing this book to add to the parent resource library perhaps.

**Notifications**: Some parents have mentioned that they are not given enough warning for dress up days. Paula has assured that staff endeavour to place notices on the school website and school announcements as soon as they are able.

**Basketball Carnival**: Kelly Catalano advised both the girls and boys teams won the carnival. A big thank you to the P&F for funding the purchase of their new basketball kits – the teams looked great!

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

Next Meeting will be held at 7pm Wednesday 12th October 2016

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