

Minutes for P&C Meeting held on the 7th February 2011

Attendance: Kylie Marshall, Adam Sutherland, Thelma Smith, Sharon Caldwell, Jody Moore, Kim Stubbs, Trish Staples, Ros Rogers, Phillip Morley, Julie-Ann Rayner, Helen Dzuira, Chantal Tyrrell, Candice Stott, Anthea Nicholls, Vicki McWirter, Annette McCrone, Trina Allen, Rebecca Leven, Glen Heath, Anthony Stewart, Lorraine Stewart, Heather Notson, Kim Yarrington, Donna Consadine, Karen Gatley, Kelly Endacott, Jenny Woolley, Jane Endacott, Trudy Delarue, Anne Cumberland, Mark Young, Frank Seognamiglio, Sacha Etherington

Apologies: Jackie Robbins, Scott Etherington, John Laidlaw, Harry Alkamraikhi

Meeting opened at 6.35pm by Adam Sutherland

Minutes were read excepted

Moved: Helen Dzuira

Seconded: Adam Sutherland

Correspondence:

Email from Chantal Tyrrell requesting we send flowers to the Bateman family after the death of Sam Bateman. The Bateman family were ex students at MPS and have done a lot for the school over the years.

Motion: To purchase card and wait for the notice to be placed in paper to see if they are requesting donations to a charity, if so we will donate \$100 to that charity and if not we will buy flowers to the value of \$100.

Moved: Jane Endacott

Seconded: Todd Morley

All in favour

Adam will organise this

Letter received from Leonie French regarding uniform policy was read and tabled

Adam will respond to this letter explaining her concerns are beyond P&C level

Student Injury Insurance letter

Helen has some concerns as to what will be covered. Not sure if special Ed children will be covered or if children who enrol after the cut of date will be eligible. Helen and Adam are going to get more information and bring back to the next meeting.

Presidents Report:

Australia Day Community Award

On Australia Day I travelled to Rylstone to attend the Australia Day Community Awards. We were nominated for Event of the Year, which unfortunately we were beaten by the Rylstone Gardening Club. We did however receive a certificate for community spirit and recognised for our efforts with the Special Ed Charity event.

Congratulations to the school band who were winners of the Music award – an award they have been unlucky to win for the past number of years. Well Done!!

Flood Donation

During the school holidays I sent an e-mail seeking thoughts on a donation toward the QLD flood appeal. I had an overwhelming positive response for the P&C to contribute something. Karen Clulow came up with an idea of donating to a particular school where we will be able to see the results, rather than our money disappearing into the large pool of donations. I want to thank everyone for their support with this, it only proves that we as a committee are very community minded.

Dragons Jumper

Continuing on from the Wayne Bennett charity last year, I have been able to keep in contact with the dragons and Wayne himself. During the holidays an autographed jumper arrived for us to either raffle or auction. This would be ideal to utilise with our upcoming fete. Any thoughts?

Canteen

Firstly I would like to welcome Lorna Kapela, our new canteen manager. Lorna started on Monday 31st January, and comes with a wealth of experience in the food industry and also has a background in hygiene and OH&S, something that will benefit our canteen in the future. I know Lorna has some fantastic ideas to refresh our menu and provide healthy food options in line with the NSW healthy school canteen strategy. For more info - www.healthy-kids.com.au

Unfortunately with the construction delays, our new canteen will not be operational until late February. Once again we have approached the high school canteen, who are willing to support us for the interim period.

In addition to our new canteen, the executive have agreed to purchase a laptop computer and printer for use in the canteen. This will give Lorna and the volunteers the chance to search the internet for new menus and recipes.

Motion: The first Disco we hold will be to raise funds for a school affected by recent natural disasters

Moved: Helen Dzuira

Seconded: Trina Allen

All in favour

A welcome letter from the new canteen manager was also read.

Jody Moore commented on whether volunteers are entitled to a free drink and sandwich if they volunteer their services for the day.

Motion: All volunteers will be provided with a drink and a sandwich when volunteering their services at the school canteen.

Moved: Jane Endacott

Seconded: Kylie Marshall

All in favour

Principals Report:

School Numbers

I'm writing this report before Kindergarten return & so I'm going off our Kindergarten numbers from the end of 2010, however, our enrolments in 2011 are very strong & I'm anticipating that I will be informing the DET that we have just over 490 children at the start of the school year.

School Organisation

I am very confident that we will have 23 classes this year across the whole school. Due to our extra enrolments we are still considering whether or not to rearrange our class structure.

BER

During the holidays we were given partial occupancy of Tod's new room. The room next to Tod's still has some work to be done. As for the canteen & the hall, I am hoping that we will have use of these around the end of February. These new resources are outstanding facilities & I'm looking forward to the school being able to use them in the near future.

Extra Staff Development Day

Our staff returned to school last Thursday for the first SDD of the year. This allowed us to kick-start our new Reading program – "Focus on Reading 3-6", which all 1-6 staff are involved with. From the beginning of term 2 our Kindergarten staff will commence their new program "L3". All staff will also come in for another extra SDD on Tuesday 26th April, which is a public holiday. Once again, the focus for that day will be on "Focus on Reading 3-6" & "L3". This means that Mudgee Public will conclude the 2011 school year on Friday 16th December – the same day as the children.

Canteen Report:

- Canteen still operating from old uniform shop
- Welcome to Lorna Kapela our new canteen manager
- Canteen meeting was held on Thursday the 3rd February
- Asking for new volunteers

Uniform:

To have winter dresses in by the start of term 2 the order would need to be in by this Friday 11th February. It was decided that winter dresses will not be on the orders for this year as time does not permit this to happen. They will have to be ordered at Grace's Uniform shop. Long sleeve shirts will also need to be ordered as they are a special order and Karen will estimate how many sizes to order.

Motion: To order long sleeve shirts and hats now and the P&C will outlay the cost until orders have been made and that we will go halves with Langs Wear.

Moved: Candice Stott

Seconded: Chantal Tyrell

All in Favour

General Business:

Kelly Endacott spoke to us about a new program Live, Life Well @ school. It is to try and get more children active and to encourage better eating alternative. The proposal is to have CRUNCH AND SIP time during class, which every child will be required to bring in a piece of fruit and water to have a this particular time that will be allocated in class. Kelly also indicated that she would like to get involved with the new menu etc at the canteen.

Motion: The P&C will support CRUNCH AND SIP at school.

Moved: Jane Endacott

Seconded: Chantal Tyrell

All in Favour

School Song: Mark has asked the staff and students about a new school song and at the moment they wish to stay with the current one.

Jane mentioned that the Aboriginal flag was damaged

Motion: That the P&C purchase a new Aboriginal Flag to replace the old one

Moved: Jane Endacott

Seconded: Chantal Tyrell

Helen gave a brief on what was happening regarding the Fete. The next Fete meeting will be on Friday 18th February at 3.30pm in Kelly Endacott's class room. Mark approved that the children could wear mufti on the day of the fete.

Di Canham has requested funds to help children in years 3 and 4 strengthen their swimming skills. This will be for children who can swim but not make 50 metres.

Motion: The P&C pay for the bus to get these children to the pool for swimming lessons

Moved: Trish Staples

Seconded: Kim Stubbs

All in Favour

Meeting Closed at 8.05pm

Next meeting will be our AGM on Monday 7th March 2011 at 7pm