#### **Parents & Citizens Association**



# **General Meeting**

#### Tuesday, 17 March 2015

#### In attendance

Rebecca Hembling (RH)
Nicole Royan (NR)
Deb Whitham (DW)
Heather Locker (HL)
Sarah Dunne (SD)
Kath Wilson (KW)
Debbie Sykes (DS)

Marnie Szeles (MS)
Mel McCormick (MM)
Lynne Graham (LG)
Danni Ruming (DR)
Kristy Powles (KP)
Sallie Wilson (SW)
Zoe Peters (ZP)

Sandra Forman (SF)

## **Agenda Items**

#### Welcome & Apologies

RH opened the meeting at 7.00pm.

Apologies were received from the following members: Christy Jessep, Tanya Kerr, Sally Fallah, Liza Fox, Marianne Topple, Kim Crabtree, Tara Kunkun

## **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Motion: To accept the minutes from the previous meeting.

Moved: Heather Locker Seconded: Lynne Graham

Motion carried.

# Actions and business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

Nil

#### Correspondence

RH received a text from a parent re the no stopping sign outside school just beyond the turnaround
point, and asked for the issue to be raised at the meeting. All agreed that parking signs have been
reviewed in the past by council, on many occasions, and it's safer as things stand so to leave as is the council have set it up that way for a reason. SF will remind parents in the newsletter what the
parking signage means. RH will respond to the parent.

#### Principal's Report

Thank you to Sarah Dunne and all the volunteers for a very successful Movie Under the Stars event. SF
acknowledged all the hard work and hours put in, and that every little detail had been thought of. SF
advised that parents have been asking for this to become an annual event.

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- Thank you for the Tea and Tissues morning, a few parents attended and were able to network with other parents.
- The school had a visit from the Minister of Education today, Adrian Piccoli, but were unable to promote this ahead of time for security reasons. Deb Whitham showed him the CISP program, and he also went into classrooms 2A and 5/6C. Finally the Minister visited Kath Wilson's room where the students were using the data wall. SF spoke to him about the security fence, and pointed out that we are one of the only schools in the Shire without one.
- 'Tell them from Me' student surveys for years 4-6 will be done later this term for those students who didn't opt out. Mr Brown will do this with each class.
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Mar is the National Day of Action Against Bullying. Children will be asked to think of something nice they can do for someone else.
- Parent teacher interviews (for all teachers) can be booked online until Thu 19<sup>th</sup> Mar and will take place in weeks 9 and 10 of term 1 (although 3B will be in week 1 of term 2 and can be organised in term 2). Notes went home with the eldest child on Friday with the booking details on there.
- The Easter hat parade will be on Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr from 230pm. K-2 will make a hat at home and bring it in the day before. Y3-6 students will make a mask. A note will come home tomorrow.
- Staff development day will be Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Apr. Staff will be training in numeracy, a project called TOWN (Taking Off With Numeracy).
- The Live Life Well team would like to send staff out to present to the P&C meeting 19<sup>th</sup> May. Their
  objective is to present to as many parents as possible at the meeting. All agreed that they are welcome
  to attend.
- There will be an open morning 20<sup>th</sup> May from 930am for new Kindergarten students 2016. SF asked if the P&C could provide morning tea, and all agreed.
- Joint funding applications were due last Friday where the school asks for 50% funding of a particular project. Two contractors came out to quote for upgrading the toilet block, although neither of them responded within the 3 week time frame. One quote finally came back at \$200k, we still don't have the other quote. So SF applied for funding of \$25k to upgrade the toilets instead, and the school would pay the other \$25k if successful. We will wait to hear the outcome.
- The covered walkway and top quad classroom doors etc. will all be refurbished and painted in the school holidays. SF has also asked for a quote for blinds in all the classrooms to prevent glare on the smartboards.
- The Year 6 farewell has been a joint event with year 5 in recent years due to small class sizes. SF advised that this should revert to a year 6 only event now that class sizes have increased (we now have 46 year 6 students this year). That will make it a special event for those students progressing to High School. Year 6 parents will organise the event from this year onwards, not year 5's.
- The school plan is still being finalised it's a big piece of work. The Director will be looking at our plan in
  week 1 of term 2. When the plan has been given the ok, SF would like to get more parent feedback on it
  so she will advise when the next forum will be (early in term 2).

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#### Chaplain's Report

Nil

#### **Treasurers Report**

RH presented the Treasurers report (see attachment 1).

 HL proposed that we show 'available funds' at the bottom of the report, taking account of how much funding we have committed to giving back to the school.

Motion: To accept the Treasurers Report.

Moved: Nicole Royan Seconded: Marnie Szeles

Motion carried.

### **Fundraising Report**

- The movie night was a success, we raised \$5182. HL suggested that next time we choose a movie that
  will engage the older kids others present agreed that we should make sure that the list of movies given
  to the Kids Council has appropriate movies to choose from. It was agreed that we would need a bigger
  fundraising team to help with the pre-organisation before organising another similar event.
- Volunteer recruitment RH advised that we still need a volunteer to help with 5c Friday to support Fiona
  Cuthill. KP and SW both offered to bank the money which will help. SD proposed a wine and cheese
  night to recruit volunteers. DS proposed that we try and engage a parent helper from each class, to be
  responsible for an event, who can then call on their own circle of friends to support them. SD advised
  that the fundraising team have now been given specific jobs: MS catering, MM raffles, TK disco's, DS
  finance, SD coordinates and oversees all fundraising activity.
- The disco date for term 1 was changed to 27Mar as the DJ was unavailable on the 20<sup>th</sup>. The theme will be beachwear, as chosen by the Kids Council. 20 kids so far have sent their forms back, but we expect more slips to be returned before the night.
- Mothers Day stall date agreed was Tue 5<sup>th</sup> May, donations in Wed 29<sup>th</sup> Apr (no mufti), wrapping Fri 1<sup>st</sup> May 930am in the library.
- Fathers Day stall date agreed was 1<sup>st</sup> Sep, donations in Wed 26<sup>th</sup> Aug, wrapping Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Aug 930am in the library.
- Disco term 2 date agreed was 12<sup>th</sup> Jun (week 8).
- Disco term 4 date agreed was 13<sup>th</sup> Nov (week 6).
- SF advised the athletics carnival will be held Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> Jun.

#### **Canteen Report**

- NR presented the canteen report (see attachment 2).
- Term 2 special canteen day will be held on 26th May (week 6) Cake Day.

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Motion: To accept the Canteen Report.

Moved: Sallie Wilson Seconded: Kristy Powles

Motion carried.

#### **Uniform Shop Report**

- Uniform Shop report was presented by MM (see attachment 3).
- PSSA socks have been ordered and will be available for sale in term 2 (green with red and white stripes).
- Long sleeve jackets will be ordered once we have seen the sample sizes.
- The PC is now up and running.
- Opening on Friday afternoons will be trialled from term 2.
- MM asked if she could get access to the P&C Facebook page to post uniform and raffle updates. All agreed. RH will grant access.

Motion: To accept the Uniform Shop Report.

Moved: Zoe Peters Seconded: Marnie Szeles

Motion carried.

#### **General Business**

- SD relayed a request from a parent asking for fundraising money to be used to buy playground
  equipment. SF advised that we are pursuing playground activities as part of our consultations with
  Scully's, but that this will not include any climbing equipment (due to a child having fallen and broken
  their arm in previous years). SF advised that equipment is brought out for the children to play with at
  lunch time however and that there are other lunch time activities such as gardening club. SD will pass
  this on to the parent in question.
- NR proposed that the school consider having GNPS swimming caps for zone. There is a minimum order
  of 300 at \$4.20 each from Good Buddy's. NR proposed that the P&C purchase the caps, and that we give
  to the students when they attend zone. All agreed this was a good idea and SF was in support. NR will
  look into it and advise at the next meeting.
- MS advised that she had been in touch with NSW Police re motorists driving through red lights on the Boulevarde on a regular basis (see attachment 4). The traffic supervisor has recommended that trees be trimmed to allow better vision of traffic lights and school signage. Council has also been asked to upgrade the school zone signage in both directions. If these do not prevent further incidents, NSW Police advised that consideration would then be given to a mobile speed camera.
- DS advised that our two Relay for Life school teams still need team members if anyone is interested in joining – details are in the newsletter each week. DS asked that the P&C consider donating bbq profits from the term 1 school disco to the Relay for Life fundraising, as we did last year.



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Motion: To donate Term 1 disco bbq profits to Relay for Life school fundraising total.

Moved: Marnie Szeles Seconded: Sarah Dunne

Motion carried.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, 21st Apr 2015 at 7pm.

RH declared the meeting closed at 825pm.

#### **Action Items 2015**

Item	Action	Responsible Person	Status Update
1	On line ordering for uniform shop	MM, RH	Still outstanding
2	Swimming caps for zone carnival	NR	
3			
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# Gymea North Public School P & C Association Bank reconciliation as at 28th February 2015

Opening Balance	\$	39,776.44
Add deposits for month		22.76
bank interest	\$	33.76 16.20
Ritchies store donation	\$ \$	16.20
Movie night ticket sales	\$	2,895.05
P&C Votes	\$	15.00
Total deposits	Ş	2,960.01
Less payments for month		
	626711	343.86
Canteen Supervisor wages	626710	
A1 Design-movie night flyers	626716	
Canteen Supervisor wages	626717	
Canteen Supervisor wages	626721	
Canteen Supervisor wages	626718	
Wrist bands-for movie night		
S Dunne drinks for movie night	626712 \$	
Wrist bands-extra bands for movie night	626719 \$	
Big screen productions-final pmt	626714	519.00
Total Payments	Ş	2,130.84
Current Bank statement balance	S	40,605.61
Current bank statement balance	•	40,005.01
Add outstanding deposits		
Secretary and the secretary an		
Less unpresented cheques	626742	204.22
Glowsticks-movie night	626713 \$	
A1 Design and Print	626720	44.00
Balance	5	40,360.31
bulance		.5,555.51

# Canteen report as 28 February 2015

Details	DR	CR
Opening Bank Balance as at 1 February 2015		\$11,084.55
Plus Income:		
Interest		9.41
Takings during February		1,963.75
Less Expenditure:		
Chq 327310 P Sunderland Fresh food Term 1	500.00	
Chq 327306 Global Inv #64604	1,007.13	
Chq 327308 M Skinner – reimb new freezer	1,489.00	
Chq 327311 Global Inv #64711	400.16	
Chq 327307 Tropical Slush #5383	936.00	
Chq 327312 Global Inv #65002	609.68	
Subtotal	\$4,941.97	\$13,057.71
Closing Balance as at 28 February 2015		\$8,115.74
Less Outstanding Cheques:		
Chg 327313 Global Inv #65197	368.40	
Chq 327314 Global Inv #65400	801.24	
Chq 327315 Unilever Inv #3502016434	167.16	
	\$1,336.80	
Funds Available:		\$6,778.94

# **Uniform Shop Report for Meeting**

Financial Details for February end of month		
Sales Figures	\$1259.00	
Profit Total	\$330.62	
Account Balance as @ 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	\$10331.36	
Outstanding Cheques Total	\$0	
Outstanding Invoices	\$236.04	
Stock Value	\$32426.57	

Our Ref: D/2014/419436

Ms. Marnie Szeles 411 Willarong Road **CARINGBAH SOUTH 2229** 



16 December 2014

Dear Ms. Szeles,

I refer to your letter dated 24 November 2014 regarding motorists driving through a red light at the school crossing near Gymea North Public School and narrowly missing school children.

As you are aware, Senior Constable King, Traffic Supervisor contacted you about this matter. I have been informed that Senior Constable King advised you that she had conducted a site assessment at the location and recommended to the Sutherland Shire Council that the trees be trimmed due to the branches overhanging in the road shoulder area and also into lane 1 and blocking the ability of motorists to clearly see the traffic lights as well as the school zone signage. In addition, the Council has been requested to upgrade the school zone signage in both directions and on the road.

I understand that Senor Constable King also indicated that if the above recommendations did not appear to prevent further incidents, consideration will be then given to possibly having a mobile speed camera at the location which may assist in making motorists more aware of their surroundings.

Please do not hesitate to contact Senior Constable King if you have any further traffic related concerns.

Yours faithfully

Julian Griffiths Superintendent

Local Area Commander