

KIAMA PUBLIC SCHOOL

PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday March 13, 2017

Attendance	Jackie Sloan, Lingyan Christie, Beth Horner, Martin Walker, Luci Martin, Lauren Purcell, Jules Little, Klaas van Alphen, Ingrid Buchner, Serena Farrah, Denyse Wright, Deyelle Freaney, Kaye Middleton, Jane Flint, Fiona Stewart, Siobhan King, Belinda Laird, Melinda Prior, Michael Honeywood, Row Clarke
Apologies	Esther Burton, Rachael Peedom, Melinda Hale, Jennifer Buckley
Meeting Opened	8:40pm
Principal's Report	Start by thanking all the P&C and the executive and in particular Jackie for the hours of care and attention everyone has provided to make KPS special and the envy of many communities. We have a wonderful school and that is in part to the volunteered work done by so many. Science continues to grow – focus now on STEM, which is Science Technology
	Engineering and Maths - we have a wealth of knowledge we want to tap into. Science is a huge focus for our school not just in the garden, farm, science room and kitchen but also with the 2016 entry into 3D printing and of course Laurens Lego robotics
	Languages in 2016 was asked for and has continued but numbers have dropped significantly Two sessions a week – Mandarin and French.
	Outsourcing programs : there are issues with trying to facilitate all that ask. We have issues with room use and time – we have contract agreement with the OOSH not to detract from their enrolments .At present three other agencies or businesses want to run events at school and we have had to decline. Issue of consistency and transparency. In future may use the P&C as a sounding board as to what we consider.
	Sport and performing Arts are still prioritised but consume teacher time and students. Some parents questioned staff who take sports events for example as they are out running events. It's a compromise we make to provide opportunities. Staff don't get extra funding but do voluntarily and I would like the community to be aware that without them students would not get the chance to compete or perform.
	2016-17 changes to school grounds substantial – new classroom and demountables. The play area is wonderful design and we are eager to see it materialise. Increase numbers means we have to be smarter how we use our space.
	Personnel changes - Mrs Baker retired, Mrs Crabb is retiring this term. Emma Timbs will relieve as Office Manager until the position. We have a lot of new staff to lead including 4 beginner teachers and 3 non-teaching staff.
Treasurer's Report	Treasurers Report and Audit report is tabled.

President's Report

2016 was a very busy and fantastic year for KPS P&C. Events rounded up for the year with a lot of laughter at our social hypnotist evening in November. And there were so many other amazing events that we were proud to be a part of, such as the wonderful Olympathon in August. This was a particularly great day for bringing our whole school community together in a positive way.

I would like to thank all of the KPS parents whom regularly attend P&C Meetings, and those that help out at P&C events, and volunteer in the canteen. Thanks to all KPS families for also attending our events and supporting our many fundraising efforts.

A special thanks goes to the P&C Executive for the many hours they have volunteered this year and all that they have achieved:

- Belinda Laird and Ingrid Buchaner (Vice Presidents)
- Jessica Lee and Lingyan Christie (Treasurers Term 2-4)
- Jo Eldridge (Treasurer Term 1)
- Siobhan King (Secretary)

Also 2 other P&C members deserve a special mention- Dean Koorey for being our media and communications force, and Melinda Ellis for organizing and pulling off an absolutely amazing Olympathon.

Working with a lovely and enthusiastic bunch of parents, a very dedicated Principal Michael Honeywood and Assistant Principal Melinda Prior, as well as many more of the wonderful KPS Staff has been a very rewarding experience.

I am sure that I speak on behalf of all parents in thanking the quality teaching and support staff who work tirelessly for our children's benefit. It is a privilege to be able to send our children to such a wonderful public school in our local community. It is also a privilege as a P&C to partner with such committed staff in the activities we undertake.

Highlights of KPS P&C 2016 have included:

1. School social events to bring our school community together, namely:

- Family Fun Night- Term 1
- Movie Night- Term 2
- Olympathon- Term 3
- Hypnotist Night- Term 4
- Year specific "Catch-ups" throughout the year

2. Fundraising.

In 2016 it is estimated KPS P&C have raised approximately \$19,796 through the following key events, and thanks to the support of our amazing school community:

•	Olympathon	\$11,617.05
•	Mothers Day Stall	\$1,136.79
•	Fathers Day Stall	\$785.45
•	Hypnotist Night	\$2,817.00
•	Movie Night	\$723.89
•	Hot Cross Bun Drive	\$414.00
•	Family Fun Night-	\$560.00
•	Cake Stalls x2	\$1,744.45
•	Calenders	\$290.00
•	Toyword Toy Drive	\$480.00

3. Expenditure.

In 2016 P&C are proud to have financed:

- CSIRO Science Show Term 1;
- Anti-bullying Show Term 3;
- Healthy Harold Visit Term 4;
- Home Reader Bags for every new Kindergarten student;
- Student Representative Allowance for state level participation in sport;
- Through the family support trust we have been providing financial assistance to families in need;

President's Report continued

PLAYGROUND - As you all know the focus development area for our P&C this year has been on designing and providing a new natural play area for our students. The primary goal of this area was to not only encourage outdoor physical activity, but also to encourage creativity in a natural play environment. We also wanted this area to be a place for students from Kindergarten to Grade 6 to be able to play and interact together.

The P&C, especially Siobhan King, Kaye Middleton and Fiona Stewart, have worked extremely hard on this project all year, and we are on track to have it completed by the end of Term 1. I want to thank Michael Honeywood for backing us all the way on this project, and also for contributing to the cost. The anticipated P&C expenditure on this project is \$22,000.00.

4. Canteen

The KPS P&C employs Lynne Roberts as the Canteen Coordinator. This year we were delighted to have Dani Gilles join Lynne in the canteen.

Lynne and Dani have done a wonderful job in the canteen this year. We have more freshly made food onsite, healthier options for our children, and profits going back into the P&C.

We are planning to introduce online canteen ordering from Term 2 2017- so watch this space.

I would like to thank the many canteen volunteers who make our canteen a success.

5. School Chaplain Role

Dr Sumant (Monty) Badami has continued on from 2015 in the role of School Chaplain. This non-religious based role, which is supported through a government grant, is aimed at developing the social and emotional needs of our students through a variety of group and individually tailored programs focused on building resilience, team work, and following our school values. We thank Monty for the dedication and enthusiasm he has brought to this role.

6. We Love KPS FaceBook Page

KPS has the coolest school facebook page, and with 571 likes, it's a great way to know what's happening at school, to communicate with other parents, and admire the wonderful goings on at school.

Thanks to Dean Koorey for your amazing creative talent and the time you have put into our facebook page.

I also want to welcome Lauren Purcell into this role for 2017, and thank her for her time and enthusiasm.

7. Family Support Trust

At KPS P&C we are proud of our school community focus and our dedication to support families in need through the Family Support Trust. Throughout 2016 we have provided confidential, financial or practical support to school families and students in times of need.

8. Student Representative Allowance

KPS P&C are also proud to sponsor our talented students who represent our school at a state level.

Finally, KPS P&C are a relaxed, friendly bunch of people who want to be actively involved in their children's education, and we would welcome you to join us in this in 2017.

Jackie Sloan President KPS P&C March 2017

Nominations for Officers	All positions declared open. President: This position remains open. Vice President/s: Martin, Kaye and Belinda Secretary: Siobhan Treasurer: Jessica (to be confirmed) Meeting of those in positions or considering being in a position: 4pm on the Family Fun Night: Michael Honeywood's office
Subcommittees	Canteen liaison: Jackie Sloan Book club: Shan Gallagher, to be confirmed Uniform: Karen Mion, to be confirmed Communications & Promotions: Lauren Purcell FST: Jackie Sloan
AGM Closed.	9pm



Sketch of P&C designed and funded Playground to be constructed in 2017