



KIAMA PUBLIC SCHOOL

PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

General Meeting

Monday February 10 2014

Attendance	Michael Honeywood (Principal), Amanda & Dean Koorey (President), Belinda Murphy (Vice President), Ingrid Buchner, Campbell McConachie (Treasurer), Michelle Springett, Leanne Millard, Kaye Middleton, Esther Burton, Melinda Ellis (Secretary), Danielle Munro, Jacqui McTaggart, Serena Farrah, Isha Knill, Jacqui McTaggart, Jane Flint.
Apologies	Tory Adams, Jenny Buckley, Belinda Laird
New members registering	<p>Returning 2013 members: Amanda Koorey, Belinda Murphy, Ingrid Buchner, Campbell McConachie, Michelle Springett, Leanne Millard, Kaye Middleton, Esther Burton, Melinda Ellis, Danielle Munro, Jacqui McTaggart.</p> <p>New members for 2014: Serena Farrah, Isha Knill, Jane Flint.</p>
Business from Correspondence	Uniform – provided to Uniform committee Lions Raffle
Business from previous general meeting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Entertainment book – approx. \$900 earned in 2013. In 2014 only flyer to be sent home not entertainment books as too hard to retrieve books. 2. Pizza oven equipment - \$700 approved for equipment required. Belinda to purchase. 3. Family fun night – 600 pizzas served. Excellent attendance and great vibe. Volunteers did an outstanding job. Need to relocate serving to make process safer with hot trays as well as assist with the volunteers being able to socialise. Stage 1 teacher meetings too early and not well attended. Agreed no soft drink at future P&C events as was the standing policy. Need to have a meet and greet area for new parents. 4. Canteen equipment – new freezer and microwave, along with sundry kitchen equipment purchased with some remaining funds for the year to assist with storage of P&C related food and replace aging

equipment.

5. Uniform: Committee has met.

-New hat introduced – slightly wider brim. Previous one no longer available.

-Only 1 line of culottes available now to avoid confusion and supply issues.

- New uniform suggestion – new style suggested and needs voting on by P&C, then staff and then by parent community. A 2/3 majority of parent community is required to proceed.

Suggestion is Unisex polo short that is two tone. Considering white or grey piping. Still considering polo shirt material that best suits summer heat. Navy pants and navy shorts for boys. Girl's culottes and school dress to remain. Black school shoes and white socks remain. School bag remains optional. New hat that has just been introduced to remain. New royal blue pants for girls required to be sourced. Samples are required.

6. Defibrillator. Ingrid started researching. \$1400 to purchase unit. Teachers have just been updated on first aid which included defibrillator training. No further training required. Location would need to be central and available to the public. Paediatric pads an extra \$150. Batteries last 7years approx. Replacement batteries cost approx. \$300. Pads need replacement every year or two at approx. \$100.

P&C voted in support for purchase of a unit. School investigating if school funding available to purchase. School agreed to maintain equipment, including pads once unit is purchased.

7. Lions raffle – agreed to support this community group who have supported us in our fundraising initiatives. Fund raising goes to cancer research. Lions will provide 80% of the funds we raise. Prizes total \$5000. Drawn in May. Agreed to promote and distribute raffle in Week 9 for return end Term 2, Week 2.

8. Swimming carnival – Participation and attendance

	<p>much improved of last year. The parent information letter had improved, but still confusing as to whether children are required to attend and swim. Venue places a constraint on the number of children and parents. School to investigate options such as different venue or holding a morning and afternoon carnival for different stages, to assist in a whole school participation.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">9. Food policy – Discussion that information regarding this is limited and confusing and often differs for each class. School is preparing generic letter and specific letter for classes containing children with current allergies.10. Living classroom 2014 changes – All classes are participating. Focus is not just gardening but science. Cage area for wet weather.11. Fundraising focus – grants focus this year as opposed to fundraising as substantial fundraising done in 2013.12. Bus behaviour – Year 6 students monitoring and providing school with information on issues on the bus.13. Canteen – Investigating serving cold or packaged food in the canteen.14. Child protection clearance – all volunteers need to complete, not for reading etc but for jobs which influence children. Eg coaching15. Funding gifts to teachers for special occasions eg. weddings/retirement. Agreed \$100 budget.16. Second hand uniform – Thanks to Laurey Davidson for her undertaking this role for many years. Karen Mion has taken up this role and information regarding how this will be managed will be forthcoming.17. Body Image Program – P&C will consider providing on a weekend. School already provides some discussion with students about this.18. Ethics – 1 person to coordinate has been appointed. Training required. 3 parents volunteered. Choice will be scripture or ethics. All held on Wednesday
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	afternoon.
Principals report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 433 enrolments – 100 new students (including kindergarten students). 25% of the school are new. This has led to significant changes in classroom allocation. Only 3 composite classes in whole school. • Mr Kirk year 4 new teacher. • New parents to the school – raised parent buddy idea or P&C referral idea. For further discussion. • Kiss and drop zone – not being used correctly at present. Sheriff is monitoring. • PA system – music will be changing. Requires portable device for use. • Interim reports coming in week 7/8 – will assist in flagging how children have settled and are working and if interview is required. Intended to flag issues earlier than previously in a year. • Parent & Principal forum will be held early term 2 • Schedule changes for 2014 will mean more key learning time in the morning – fundamental movement skills daily
Treasurers report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P&C have currently committed to \$18000 in spending in the school in 2014. • There is a further \$27000 available in expenditure for the year with a \$5000 contingency fund for unexpected expenses. • P&C need to consider spending priorities for the year. This will be one of the main focus' in the 2014 general meetings. • Chaplaincy role – P&C confirmed we have been satisfied with the role the chaplain has undertaken in the school. Traditionally principal dictates work – agreed it is good timing to focus the role into certain areas the P&C would like to address.
Future meeting dates:	<p>2014 P & C General meeting and AGM 24 March.</p> <p>Term 2</p>

	19 May 23 June Term 3 11 August 15 September Term 4 October 27 December 1 - End of year dinner
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