



KIAMA PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

General Meeting MINUTES

Monday October 23rd 2017 @ KPS

Attendance: Michael Honeywood (Principal), Martin Walker (President), Kaye Middleton (Vice-President), Belinda Laird (Vice-President), Siobhan King (Secretary), Christie Lewis (Treasurer), Klaas van Alphen, Jackie Sloan, Amy Cliff, Fiona Stewart, Jules Little, Ingrid Buchner, Jenny Buckley, Carla Quigley, Deyelle Freaney, Robyn Etherton, Jane Flint

Apologies: Lauren Purcell, Beth Horner

Meeting started: 7:15pm Meeting concluded: 9:45pm

Minutes from last month’s meeting: approved by Michael Honeywood

Correspondence in and out:

New business

<p>Martin Belinda Kaye</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2018 P&C Goals (Siobhan) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Social events for parents. Martin, Belinda and Kaye to make a list of possible social events for 2018- a Mums event, Dads event and a co-ed event? Message Martin, Belinda or Kaye with any ideas or suggestions. - Movie night for students. - An event involving the pizza oven (combined with movie night/social events?) - Cybersafety programs for students and parents. See separate agenda item. - Solar panels. See separate agenda item. - Airconditioning. See separate agenda item. - Recycling/reducing waste from lunches. See separate agenda item.
<p>Carla</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cybersafety Presentations (Carla) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - P&C agreed that impact of digital footprint, ages of exposure to online pornography and online safety are of significant concern to parents of K-6 (not just Stage 3). - Robyn Etherton explained the discussions and programs being undertaken by KPS in relation to these topics, but the pornography exposure, sexting and online ‘stranger danger’ that are of particular concern to parents are not necessarily discussed at school. However, best practice is for parents and school to talk early and often about these issues. - To help this happen, P&C can support a private presenter to present 1 hour sessions to each age group throughout 1 day plus parent sessions in afternoon/evening= approx \$2500. Carla to meet with Michael about costings and dates.

Principal's Report

Gareth Ward feedback points were:

- Extend hall (canteen will not need to be moved and it looks fine size and no quality issues)
- Returf the bottom flats grass
- Volunteers awards nominations out through Gareth Wards office also.
- Recycling council not involved but Remondis

The next 3 year plan - 2018-20. Three strategic directions - (note working titles)

1. Pedagogy - explicit teaching/ feedback literacy and Numeracy
2. Innovation for the future - STEM further development into technology including 3D printing, robotics etc
3. Wellbeing for all - Mindfulness, Kismatter, mental health and staff wellbeing.

Staffing 2018- note the executive have been set:

1. Off class Assistant principal - Kieren Corbyn
2. Stage 3 - Sue Carney (Robyn Etherton)
3. Stage 2 - Di Quill (Rikki Toohey)
4. Stage 1- Melinda Prior (Helen Paradisis)
5. ES1 - Georgia Sellars (Michelle Blanch)

Chaplaincy position -Monty now finishing up Week 5 therefore need replacement asap - thinking if we don't get interviews done start possible chaplain for 2018 on temporary basis.

Kindy Orientation Book bags gift - thank you to our P&C for your donation.

New demountable - play area K@ has changed as new buiding in the space. Its already started

Commonwealth Games Queen's baton Relay in Kiama: start of year Monday 5th Feb. At present taking Years 1-6 - designated areas , BBQs and activities. Mainly Local event but asking parents to participate as all schools involved 3000 students plus.

Grandparents Day Friday - really looking forward to it as school - men's Probus Choir joining our choir and band and lots of activities. Listened to recommendations so we are trialling later time and more time with children. Start on top grass area near hall with activities.

Donations to the Indonesian flood library - thank you for support

Safer Community Grants: For more information, please visit: www.business.gov.au/safer-communities-fund

Applications are now open and close at 5pm on 14 November 2017. If you need help with your application please contact via email: ann.sudmalis.mp@aph.gov.au or my office on (02) 4423 1782. You can also contact the Department directly on 13 28 46.

Business arising from previous meetings

<p>Belinda Kaye</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canteen (Kaye, Belinda) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Survey to be sent to parents before the end of the year - Canteen staff have requested a second pie oven (cost unknown) and a 2 burner electric cooker (\$60-70). P&C agreed to purchase cooker but to delay pie oven until after survey results. - Flexischools time not able to move later than 9am. - Belinda to talk to Mrs Payne about training Year 5s. - Kaye to talk to canteen staff about organising a delivery from Coles to cut down on shopping time out of hours. - Kaye to inform canteen staff that P&C approved for a \$10 a head volunteer lunch. - Kaye to talk to canteen staff about having a special day for cleaning with volunteer help (check about doing this on the days that canteen is closed for trading at the end of the year)
<p>Martin</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fundraisers (Christie, Martin) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Profit from fundraisers to date is \$6832.16. - Martin to follow up the thank you letters to Kai and Lions Club and ensure they are sent, with an explanation that funds will go towards our 2018 goals such as cybersafety programs and air conditioning.
<p>Martin</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incorporated Association Status (Martin) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Martin to work on this with Lauren- aim to complete by the end of the year.
<p>Martin</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Bowling Arvo (Martin) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sunday 12th November at Kiama Bowling Club. \$10 per head. - Martin to ask Deano ASAP to make a manly flyer for this event.
<p>Klaas</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solar panels (Klaas) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assets Management Unit control the procurement of solar panels, so KPS cannot organise their own. Klaas to have a preliminary discussion to explore our options.
<p>Klaas Christie Martin</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air Conditioning (Klaas) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - P&C agreed that library and 5 classrooms are the priorities for air conditioning to optimise the learning environment. - Klaas, Christie and Martin to organise quotes from their air conditioning contacts.

Deyelle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnering with Charities/Schools (Deyelle) - Sample schools close to KPS felt that their parent body would not appreciate charity from our P&C. - Deyelle to further investigate funding a Smith Family program to sponsor a child in starting and continuing school.
Deyelle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beautifying quads (Deyelle) - Priority area is that in front of Kindergarten classrooms- proposing hanging terracotta pots with succulents/artificial plants. - Deyelle to talk to Kindergarten teachers about what would be practical, useful and aesthetically pleasing. - P&C noted that the Bong Bong gardens look wonderful and parents appreciate the hard work of the GA.
Deyelle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disco Report (Deyelle) - 300 children attended which far exceeded expected number. Could have used more volunteers and catered better but high numbers were a surprise. - Boundaries needed to be clearly set for what was expected for students and parents on the night. P&C would prefer to keep all children in the hall at all times for a disco night and keep outdoor games for family BBQs/picnics etc. Holding outside of daylight savings will help with this. Additional option is to have Kindergarten disco on in the last hour of the school day and Years 1 and 2 in the Bombo room during the evening.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask Gran not Google (Michael) - Melinda Prior is keen to follow up this program next year.
Kaye	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chaplain (Michael) - Chaplaincy position to be advertised in newsletter for 2018, but leave position required from Week 5. Kaye to check on P&C chaplaincy agreement and the hours to meet the agreement in view of this term.

Jackie
Fiona

- **Recycling** (Siobhan)

- Siobhan presented recommendations from Plastic Free Kiama to sit alongside yellow paper recycling bins being brought into playground. Those for consideration in 2018 are:
 - Conducting a waste audit of all red bins after lunch and recess, photographing results for fb page to encourage children and parents to pack lunches in reusable containers or paper bags. This could be a teacher-led class activity or a Council-led school activity. **Jackie to talk to Council about possible dates for Term 1 2018.**
 - Running a beeswax wrap tutorial for parents/children.
 - Screening 'A Plastic Ocean' as a parent/child date night for Yrs 3-6.
 - Working with the canteen to eliminate all items of single use disposable plastic, sourcing alternatives from local packaging companies (eg paper straws/bamboo cutlery)
- P&C discussed the difficulty in packing 'nude food' when children don't bring lunchboxes down to the eating areas. **Fiona to purchase sturdy tubs for each Yr 3-6 class to put lunch boxes in after eating to encourage eating from a lunchbox.**

Siobhan

- **Play Area** (Siobhan)

- P&C agreed that a sum of money (approx \$500) should be set aside each year for maintaining the playground. This would be in addition to amounts decided on for adding to/altering the playground.
- Kiama Mens Shed will visit the site in order to build tree guards before the end of the school year. With additional trees, Bunnings voucher for \$250 will be passed onto Mens Shed for materials.
- **Siobhan to discuss weeding, opening hours and days for all ages and rainforest area with Michael before the end of the school year, to report back to Kaye and Fiona and to P&C at start of 2018 if necessary.**

	<i>Business arising from previous meetings (not addressed this meeting) To be discussed next meeting</i>
Fiona	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Drinking water, toilets and eating (Fiona)</i> <p><i>Fiona expressed concern about students' time to eat during lunch and recess.</i></p> <p><i>Fiona to discuss this matter along with other concerns about water and toilets with Michael, to report in next meeting.</i></p>
Lauren	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mascot (Lauren)</i> <p><i>Lauren asked whether we should consider a school mascot for sports carnivals, open days etc. Positive response from the P&C.</i></p> <p><i>Lauren to liase with Michael about students designing a school mascot.</i></p>
Kaye Belinda Lauren	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Uniforms (Lauren)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Lauren requested information about previous attempts to change uniforms, with a view to changing boys' shorts and pants to royal blue and smartening up the gold polo for all children. Jackie explained history of attempts with difficulty in getting P&C to agree, difficulties in controlling stock and types, expense and types and colours of material.</i> - <i>P&C agreed that Kaye and Belinda should look through options when cleaning Bombo Room, but shirts that look too similar to Kiama High are not an option, and the gold shirts are the safest colour.</i> - <i>Belinda and Lauren to investigate further options and poll school community.</i>

Future meeting dates:

 **Please RSVP to Siobhan ASAP** 

20/11 (End of Year dinner- Hanoi on Manning)