

KIAMA PUBLIC SCHOOL
PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

General Meeting Minutes

Monday September 12th, 2016

Meeting started: 7:15pm

Attendance

Jackie Sloan (President), Belinda Laird (Vice-President), Siobhan King (Secretary), Melinda Ellis, Beth Horner, Serena Farrah, Fiona Stewart, Jane Flint, Melinda Prior, Angela Seddon, Michael Honeywood, Tarnya Viney

Apologies

Luci Martin, Jennifer Buckley, Kaye Ellett, Ingrid Buchner, Jessica Lee, Lingyan Christie

Minutes from last month's meeting

Adopted (Melinda Ellis)

Business arising from previous meeting:

- Fundraising for 2016:

- **Term 3- Olympathon: Thursday 18th August.**

- AMAZING day! Thank you to Melinda and Mrs Quill and helpers. Good feedback from teachers and parents. Great community feel in a fantastic position.

- \$11617.05 raised.

- **Term 3 - Father's Day Stall (Lisa W)**

- Thank you to Lisa Wallace- great gifts and efficient stall. \$785.45 profit.

- **Term 4 - Seaside BBQ: Monday 3rd October (long weekend)**

- **Leonie Glassner organising.** Parents required to fill timeslots for cooking and selling throughout the day. Helpers also required to buy sausages and drinks. **Jackie to contact Leonie to put out announcement to P&C and parents for help, suggest P+C Email list as well as take home volunteer form or enews form.**

- **Term 4: Hypnotist Night: Friday 18th November.**

- **Jackie Sloan, Ingrid Buchner, Serena Farrah, Fiona Stewart will be contacted by Belinda Laird about an organising dinner. Contact Belinda if you would like to join the organising team.**

- Save the date will come out at end of Term 3 (thanks to Dean for flyers) and **Fiona and Serena will research and organise ticketing and possibility of online bookings.**

- Tickets will be \$45pp, but special deal for a table of ten. Raffles and lucky door prize on the night. Jackie to explore wine options and playlist options for dancing afterwards, get garbage bags and plastic tablecloths. Siobhan to follow up candles.
- Helpers needed on the day to set up tables at pavilion from 11am.
- Consider option of sponsoring a teacher to be hypnotised!
 - Term 4 - Kiama Toy World Toy Drive
- Jackie to follow up. ADDIT 13/9- Toyworld are happy to partake in the Toy Drive again in 2016, purchases from 1st from November- 10% to KPS P&C (excluding limited sale items). Deano will be asked to do flyer.

• Playground Planning

- Final decision made about contractor and designer following meeting with Assets Management onsite, who approved our plans. Some stipulations for the formal plans (details in Principal's report). Next step is meeting with designer.

• Interrelate Evening: Tuesday 16th August

- Thank you Serena! Well received, but many parents would prefer it be held every year to be able to match child's maturity with attendance.
- Run another session next year and invite other local primary schools if numbers are low.
- Books on sale were helpful for further discussions at home.

• Kinder Orientation:

- Thanks to Jackie for speaking at the Orientation Night
- Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th November: booth at expo. Siobhan to talk to Karen about covering these times to sell uniforms and chat with parents.

• Parking/kiss and drop

- Significant concerns from teachers and parents about Bong Bong St and Kiss&Drop (amount of congestion extending to Thompson St), speed of cars, parents collecting children from wrong side of road. Michael to contact RMS to look at Bong Bong and Thompson Sts after school. Road widening and one way street are not options, but there is possibility of extending Kiss and Drop bay.
- Very small numbers of children walking home from Bong Bong St exit (up Collins St) so students are required to wait until buses leave to be walked by teacher across road because of congestion in this area. Advertise in newsletter that children are crossed by a teacher at this spot to encourage more walking home from school?

- Possibility of encouraging parents (as enrolments increase) to park a few blocks away and have children walk to meet them. Could advertise that Collins St crossing is supervised by a teacher. Parking is good around Shoalhaven St/Mitre 10 carpark.
- Consider safety of walking home towards Surf Beach in regards to crossing Shoalhaven St.
- Consider possibility of walking buses to reduce congestion.

Principal's report

- Apology for missing last meeting - very unwell. Thank you to Di Quill and Robyn Davis for stepping in.
- Acknowledge Boys Soccer team making final 8 in state so far heading to Sydney this week. Unfortunate for split classes but necessary.
- School numbers: very close to 19th class.
- Kindergarten 2017 - congratulations to Melinda Prior excellent transition work to reduce stress of enrolments. Great teamwork but her leadership outstanding.
- IT issues: re-evaluating the policy to strengthen the policy and protocols. No attempt to reduce or stop the growth in IT but safety first. Issues students contacting friends and parents at school - messaging and inappropriate.
- Asset Management - new play area. Thank you Siobhan for your time and passion in this area. Seems we have a few hoops to jump through;
- Arrange to have a landscape professional prepare a full set of drawings suitable for quoting.
 1. The drawings need to provide full details of all proposed structures.
 2. Provide full details of all proposed equipment.
 3. Full details of all large rocks, edging, stepping stones etc especially how they are to be held in place.
 4. How to sloped surface is to be contained.
 5. How drainage is to be controlled.
 6. How fencing is to be amended / changed.

Get a fee proposal and time frame for the above before proceeding.

- Review / approve documents received in conjunction with myself.
- Obtain a fully itemised quote from your preferred contractor.
- Review the quote when received.

➤ Thank you for-

- Olympathon -more than a fundraiser it was really a community event. Excellent work Melinda and the team.
- Father's day stall - Lisa and team record time and all happy
- Interrelate - Serena good turn out and I think a sensitive topic well discussed.

➤ Gonski - NERA funding awareness to put pressure on federal political parties to support it. State government is committed but current Federal not.

➤ AECG (Bulima) this Thursday afternoon 15th Sept at 4pm in KHS

➤ NAPLAN results - very pleasing some outstanding results and all above state average.

➤ Feedback from the community: How do we involve the community in planning? Are surveys worth it or is there another way?

P&C Discussion of Principal's Report

➤ Where will 19th classroom go? Concern over loss of playground space.

➤ Should students have to gain an iPad licence (similar to pen licence) with an assignment/units/course to demonstrate maturity/proficiency/knowledge?

➤ Could Mr Honeywood begin parent forums again? Allow for question/answer and suggestions. Open a suggestion box in the office?

➤ Feedback from 2 families- some concern that older students are heavily loaded with extracurricular activities. Concern that students who don't choose these activities are not engaged in similar learning back at school.

Treasurer's report

➤ \$44554: current unassigned funds.

Canteen report

➤ Email Jackie for copy of full report.

➤ Eat Fresh and Win promotion starts this week.

➤ Tuna and veg bake replaces nachos, sausage rolls replace meats pies

➤ Fish fingers to be introduced along with other changes for Term 4.

➤ More advertising of canteen being done on Facebook as well as newsletter.

Meeting finished at 9:10pm.

Future meeting dates:

Term 4: 24 Oct / [Term 4: Nov 28- End of year dinner \(with adult walking bus home\) at Hanoi on Manning.](#) RSVP to Siobhan.