



KIAMA PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

General Meeting MINUTES

Monday September 11th 2017 @ KPS

Apologies: Jenny Buckley, Lauren Purcell, Kaye Middleton, Jules Little, Fiona Stewart, Jane Flint, Deyelle Freaney, Serena Farrah

Attendance: Martin Walker (President), Michael Honeywood (Principal), Klaas van Alphen, Siobhan King (Secretary), Christie Lewis (Treasurer), Belinda Baines, Abbey Tilse, Jackie Sloan, Belinda Laird (Vice-President)

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

Minutes from last month's meeting: approved by Belinda Laird

Correspondence in and out:

New business

<p>Christie Kaye Belinda Martin Lauren</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Canteen (Christie, Kaye, Belinda)- Matter of urgency to recruit and retain volunteers for the canteen. P&C agrees surveying parents is the first step in this process. Ask Lauren to work with Christie, Kaye and Belinda to create a survey to be distributed to parents through e-news and Facebook page.- Canteen staff and P&C to train Year 5s in Term 4 so they are ready to volunteer to assist in the canteen in Year 6. Belinda and Kaye to follow this up.- Christie to look at the best way to pay for online shopping to save canteen staff time.- Kaye to ask canteen staff to change Flexischools morning cut off for ordering to 9:30am rather than 9am.
<p>Michael</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ask Gran not Google (Jackie)- Jackie asked whether KPS staff could consider the 'Ask Gran not Google' concept for KPS students and Bluehaven. ipads are used for older and younger people to facetime. Youtube video has more information.- Michael to suggest this concept to staff.

Principal's Report

Lions Club: BBQ stall at markets thank you to all who gave time - apologies for my absences due to illness. Thank staff who assisted in particular Mr English double shift. Thank you to Lions Club and Hilton for his organisation and time.

Brainstorm Production - very well received by students. This is funded by P&C - want to start term 1 with the show rather than have it later in year (feel it sends a good message early). These shows are anti-bullying and friendship based themes. The production in 2018 is "Buddies" and we have booked 20 Feb if P&C agree to back it again. *P&C agreed to back this and raised possibility of parents attending to be able to reinforce message at home.*

Anti Bullying Policy: publish a new draft version of our school policy in line with the department policy on the website. Any suggestions or ideas are welcome. Copies in front office if hardcopy needed - really appreciate feedback from parents.

Meeting Gareth Ward :

- **Wanted a clear direction of priorities from the P&C for school projects.** My biggest concern is re. the bottom flats grass. The area is hard dirt and a few weeds. Issue of no sun in winter (trees shade) and no time to repair as students need the area. *P&C agree this needs some investment but would like Gareth Ward to consider the more significant long term issues of space, particularly the need for a bigger hall and canteen for a rapidly growing school.*
- Volunteers awards nominations out through Gareth Wards office also.
- Recycling council issue is perhaps an area for him to take on board with us (KCoS all concerned also)

Acknowledge the staff

- beautiful production of Wakakirri at Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre (7 teachers involved). *P&C discussed the possibility of supporting costs in future years, or creating a fundraiser through a school performance for a small cost for grandparents, siblings etc. P&C discussed the very small numbers of older boys dancing.*
- Choir energetic and fun SIMF performance at Wollongong University hall. Mrs Blanch and her team including Michael & Jenny Maude.
- Technology: one of 40 schools nationally to feature in Innovative Schools Educator magazine - and more recently the Year 4 girls app team acknowledged for their app design . Excellent work from Mrs Etherton, Mr Kirk, Mr Corbyn and the wonderful Lauren Purcell.

NAPLAN On line and VALID: two trials for students that have occurred last two weeks. VALID is for science and is voluntary to see progression of our Year 6 students. On line is National trial for future NAPLAN to speed process up and provide more. *P&C discussed the move to above/below-grade testing as students complete sets of questions correctly/incorrectly.*

Reports: survey results most were happy with present system and didn't want change - about 30% wanted change. After consultation with executive we will offer interview session a trial in 2018 after the mid-year reports- reports go out week 9 and interviews will be held during week 10

Survey for parents for the next 3 year plan - 2018-20. What do parents see as essential for the next 3 years plan? A Forum is available too in Term 4. Executive meeting with students, staff and also the Kiama Community of Schools for shared future goals.

Chaplaincy position - Interview next term for new person with one year of guaranteed funding remaining. Evidently an interview for position is best practice.

Business arising from previous meetings

<p>Michael Jackie Siobhan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recycling update (Jackie) - Kiama Council have nothing to do with recycling or waste services for KPS, but are very supportive of KPS introducing a recycling program. Kiama Council could carry out an investigation of what we would require and could also do education within the school. - Jackie to talk to Kiama Council about this when Michael has heard from school's waste provider about options for recycling. - Siobhan to talk to Plastic Free Kiama to discuss how P&C can encourage students and families to bring less food packaging each day to reduce overall waste.
<p>Kaye Belinda</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bombo room cleanout and stocktake (Belinda) - Cleanout is happening early Term 4 with Belinda and Kaye. GA already cleared out of date items and moved away school equipment not required in this room.
<p>Siobhan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication with P&C (Siobhan) - Very small no. indicated they want to remain on the mailing list. Siobhan to send one more reminder out along with an encouragement to join the fb group. - Mailing list for email needs to continue for those who are not on Facebook.
<p>Christie Martin</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on fundraisers (Martin) - Kai fundraiser was much appreciated by P&C. A big thanks to the Lions Club, Kai Restaurant and the Fowlers for very generous \$2000 donated to KPS P&C. - Lions Club BBQ was a great day of working together at the markets with staff, parents and community members involved. Thank you to these families: Clarke, Wainman, Smee/Wright, Farrah, Glaessner, Cavallin, Davidson, Burton, Holland, Little, Harris, Wolstenholme, Flint, Buchner/Goecke, Hudzina, Walker. A big thank you to members of staff who volunteered: Sue Carney, Laura Langdon, Josef English and Melinda Prior. Thank you to the Lions Club for organising this- stall raised \$1926.82. - Father's Day stall was much appreciated by students, fathers and P&C. P&C noted that the quality of the gifts bought online was excellent and profits from these higher. P&C's preference is for the online gifts to be used for future stalls. - Christie to post the final figures for profits made from these events. - Martin to check that students have made and sent thank yous to Kai and the Lions Club.

Michael Deyelle Siobhan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disco - P&C agreed Friday 20th October from 6pm -7:30pm was a suitable date and time for Term 4 disco. Siobhan to ask on the fb group if Deyelle is willing to organise this. - Parents can come and bring a picnic dinner to have on the grass or can nominate another parent to be responsible for their child. - Michael will talk to Deano about organising a playlist.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interrelate - Serena has organised for Wednesday 9th May 2018 (T2W2) and then annually thereafter.
	<p><i>Business arising from previous meetings (not addressed this meeting) To be discussed next meeting</i></p>
Martin Lauren	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incorporated Association status (Lauren) - Lauren explained that becoming incorporated would cost \$137. Upsides are ability to apply for government grants and lack of worry about need for legal coverage of individuals. Downside is the need to send off AGM minutes etc to Department of Fair Trading by 1st March. - P&C agreed that this was a good option. Martin to check with Federation, Lauren to get process started.
Lauren	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mascot (Lauren) <p>Lauren asked whether we should consider a school mascot for sports carnivals, open days etc. Positive response from the P&C.</p> <p>Lauren to liase with Michael about students designing a school mascot.</p>
Kaye Belinda Lauren	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uniforms (Lauren) - 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. - 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. - Belinda and Lauren to investigate further options and poll school community.

<p><i>Siobhan Christie</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play Area Update (Siobhan, Fiona and Kaye) - Siobhan requested \$200 for materials for the Men's Shed to create tree guards. P&C approved costing and understood we would need to transport them ourselves. - <i>Siobhan to contact Burnetts about a possible fallen tree to complete the playground. Christie to organise a crane once Siobhan hears from Burnetts about a tree being available.</i> - <i>Siobhan to discuss small annual maintenance cost at future meeting for topping mulch, replacing plants, repairs etc.</i>
<p><i>Martin</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Bowling Night (Martin) - <i>Martin to organise at the start of October for school Dads (no kids) for bowls and hot food as a social get-together.</i>
<p><i>Deyelle</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnering with charities/schools + Beautifying quads (Deyelle)

Future meeting dates:

T4 **23/10** (School) **20/11** (End of Year dinner- Hanoi on Manning)