

KIAMA PUBLIC SCHOOL
PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION
General Meeting Minutes

Monday, 13 February, 2017

Meeting started: 7:15pm - Meeting concluded: 9:05pm

Attendance

Jackie Sloan (President), Belinda Laird (Vice-President), Ingrid Buchner (Vice-President), Siobhan King (Secretary), Lingyan Christie and Jessica Lee (Treasurers), Serena Farrah, Jane Flint, Michael Honeywood, Deyelle Freaney, Kaye Middleton, Jennifer Buckley, Esther Burton, Martin Walker, Carla Quigley, Melinda Hale, Rachael Griffin, James and Shelley Harland-Wright, Mick Baines, Jules Little, Row Clarke, Klaas van Alphen.

Apologies

Fiona Stewart, Luci Martin, Leonie Glaessner

Correspondence in and out

Thank you card to Lions Club and Toyworld Kiama.

New business

- **Playground update**

Delay in slide being couriered has pushed back schedule.

Waiting on slide installation and then timber work and planting will be completed. Hoping that it will be ready for Family Fun night. [Contact Siobhan, Kaye or Fiona with any questions.](#)

- **Family Fun Night**

Proposed delay of 2 weeks from the usual 3rd Friday of Term 1 to Friday 3rd March in Week 5.

2016: BBQ/food organised by P&C, paper plane competition, teacher-organised games for children and parents, name tags for parents, iceblocks.

- **Serena to investigate sausage purchase.**
- **Jenny and Carla to assist with jobs before the day (drinks etc).**
- **Consider pizzas, either housemade (using some garden produce) or bulk order mini pizzas. Mr Honeywood to investigate a teacher making pizza Dough and Luci and Esther and Belinda Baines to organise/make the pizzas.**
- **5-7:30pm with parents responsible for supervision of their own children**
- **'Medical' Mash tent- fake wounds and plasters for \$2-5 (Martin/Jackie to organise)**
- **Fake tattoo booth (Deyelle to organise and older children to do on the night)**
- **Cheekpainting booth (Jane to organise with helpers??)**
- **Tatoos - Deyelle**
- **Jackie has asked Lynne to order ice blocks**
- **Plenty of jobs to be done by anyone else. Contact Jackie to volunteer.**

- **Kiama Lions BBQ decision (from Leonie)**

Decision made to go with 20th August rather than Term 4. Jackie to organise with Lions Club. Just need helpers to volunteer about 2 weeks in advance.

- **Review of P&C activities/fundraising/dates for 2016 and plans for 2017.**

Discussion of large number of events in 2016. Changes for 2017:

- No Hot Cross Bun drive
- No large -thon event (wait for Commonwealth Games in 2018)
- Include a Mothers' Day Fashion Parade/event/high tea in Term 2
- Consider a Men's Event close to Fathers' Day
- Include a disco in Term 2 - Deyelle to head this organising with other helpers to be arranged in subsequent meetings.

Things to be kept:

- Toyworld Christmas discount
- Lions Club BBQ

Principal's report

P&C meeting 13th Feb 2017

2017 start – all students in classes by 11am. We have 504 students with 20 classes - 4 composite classes. 84 kindergarten and approx. 26 new students (non-kindergarten).

New permanent teaching staff: Joe English Yr 3, Michelle Blanch – K

New teachers non-permanent: Dominique Cooke 4P /RFF, Jenna Kelly K/1, Julia Chambers 1E

Teacher parent meetings: this week and end of term interim report will be end week 7 .

SAS staffing – Gillian Klenke , Emma Timbs and Robyn Crabb face of the school counter.

Scripture Issues:

- Ethics teacher shortage – 126 students doing Ethics K-2 and only 2 or 3 trained tutors.
- Approached by parent to have Islamic class as the rules are equal to all ethics and religious groups of having to be volunteer and trained by NSW DEC authorised provider.

Chaplaincy – starts Tuesdays, Monty continues .

School plan – new 2017 version will be on the website soon. Changed from last year – simpler version with Numeracy, Science and Pedagogy our three Strategic Directions (changed as the wording of past confused staff and community alike).

Assets and Major Works:

- Classrooms
- Lift
- Horse paddock
- New play area

Online Canteen orders – completed Lynne waiting final training

Facebook Website – need parent volunteer to take over and assist

Staff development days – changes like last year

ANZAC day – our school singing in town march (need to learn NZ anthem)

Air conditioning in classrooms

Solar Panel increase to balance – investigate green options.

P&C questions and discussion from Principal's Report:

Increases in staffing/buildings/resources for the extra students? Mr Honeywood explained: Mark Sanders is the GA, currently on only 2.5 hours a day. Over 500 students means extra hours for GA and office staff. No extra APs but will get a DP if into the next bracket. No allowance for a new school hall or buildings other than demountables.

What is happening for students whose parents have chosen ethics when there is an ethics teacher shortage? Discussion of what is mandated by NSW government. Unable to have students rotating through different classes or comparative religion classes. Unable to have staff members teaching Scripture/Ethics.

Who will run the Facebook page? P&C will advertise for expressions of interest for someone who is fb savvy, has a passion for KPS and enjoys words.

Why is there not air conditioning in all the classrooms and how can solar panels be better utilised? Solar panels do not bring power to KPS - Mr Honeywood to investigate this. Aircon is in rooms which it would get the most use out of. To install aircon across the school would need an investigation into possible grant for solar panels - how many panels required and the costs involved for initial installation and ongoing electricity costs - Klaas and Mick to consider further.

Treasurers report

Let Jackie know if you would like a copy of this report.

Canteen report

Let Jackie know if you would like a copy of the financial report. Net profit for 2016 was \$7155. P&C was really impressed with this.

Online ordering will be available from Term 2 - Michael and Lynne have worked hard on this.

A meeting that will outline the changes in criteria for canteen food choices will be held at the Ribbonwood Centre in Dapto on Tuesday the 14th March commencing at 2.00pm. Both supervisors will be attending.

P&C approved Easter raffle and recess trading on 28th February.

The milk fridge in the canteen has broken down twice this year resulting in stock losses.

Replaced tuna and potato vegetable bake with tuna curry and rice.

New business

Why isn't KPS doing BumpItUp as KHS is doing? This program is to improve NAPLAN results. We were not invited to participate as we don't need to meet these targets.

Can we hold school productions in a venue outside of KPS to allow greater audience numbers? Jackie to speak to Gareth Ward about possibility of funding a new school hall. K-2 cannot hold productions off-site but there is the possibility for 3-6 to.

Can there be a dedicated netball court? Michael Honeywood to consider netball rings on the grass as multi-use space is dominated by basketball.

Future meeting dates:

T1 13/3 (AGM Sebel)

T2 8/5 (School) 19/6 (Sebel)

T3 7/8 (School) 11/9 (Sebel)

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