



**Bathurst High Campus P&C Association**



### **Minutes of the General Meeting held Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2016**

**Attendance:** Gillian McNarey, Sandra McMahon, Cassandra Jones, Trevor Liu, Kathy Howard, Mandy Irwin, Darlene Macri, Geoff Hastings, Vickie Osborne, Karen Mounce- Stephens, Sandra Hamer, Jenny Stirling, Megan Bond, Caroline Gold, James Meares, John Browett, Ann Begg Renae Kemp, Sarah Veilande, Craig Petersen, Glen Lewis, Joanne Crawford, John Millan, Sophie Thrower, Kate Newland and Melanie Baines (minutes)

**Apologies:** Carol Neary, Michelle Thompson, Bethany Elliot, Paul Wayne, Jo Ryan and Yolanda Phillips .

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**Meeting Opened:** 7:30pm

#### **Acceptance of the November 2015 Minutes:**

The November 2015 Minutes were accepted .

Moved: Vickie Osborne Seconded: Gillian McNarey Carried unanimously

#### **Business Arising**

- BYOD: In Principals Report
- Oval Pumping System: Installed and operational.
- Autism class: established
- Disabled Access: The contract has been awarded and Geoff has a meeting scheduled for Thursday.
- Performance Arts Space Curtains: An Orange based company has quoted \$12000. This is much cheaper than we anticipated so they have been asked to quote for Front Velour curtains, side curtains and electric opening as well. Motion for Geoff to accept quote if it comes within the budget and have the work commenced. Moved Melanie Baines and seconded Sarah Veilande carried unanimously.
- Naplan Results: Geoff presented a brief summary, concentrating on the “Value Added” from Year 7 to Year 9. According to the School Plan teachers have been focusing on Writing and Numeracy. In the Naplan testing for Writing BHC value added 14 above the State average and Grammar also improved above comparable schools. Similarly in Numeracy BHC value added to above the state average. Other areas tested, spelling and reading, did not improve but results are still similar to comparable schools. Geoff is happy to answer further enquiries regarding Naplan results via email

#### **Correspondence**

- **In:**

Nil

- **Out:**

*Trevor registered with the Gonski Campaign web site to receive updates.*

**Presidents Report:**

Participated on an interview panel for the TAS teacher.

Attended the High Achievers Night for 2015.

With a son starting year 7 experienced the increased emphasis of BYOD this year

Reminded the meeting that our next meeting is our AGM and all executive positions are vacant.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

**Bathurst High Campus- Denison College P&C**

1st November- 31st December 2015

**Westpac Account**

Opening Book Balance from 31/10/2015 \$5,163.29

**Income**

Date	Details	Category	Amount
25/11/2015	Cadbury Chocolates (Mondelez)	Cadbury fundraising	\$485.00
22/12/2015	Cadbury Chocolates (Mondelez)	Cadbury fundraising	\$370.00
31/12/2015	Interest	Interest	\$1.21
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>\$856.21</b>

**Expenses**

Chq. No.	Date	Details	Category	Amount
200059	8/12/2015	Cadbury Chocolates (Mondelez)	Cadbury fundraising	\$745.55
200060	8/12/2015	Donation to Maggie's Rescue	Other	\$50.00
200061	16/12/2015	BHC Presentaton night prizes (Jasmyrn Ellis)	School expenditure	\$350.00
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>\$1,145.55</b>	
<b>Book Balance</b>			<b>\$4,873.95</b>	

**Bank Statement Reconciliation**

Balance as per Bank Statement at 31/12/2015 \$4,873.95

Plus Outstanding Deposits \$0.00

Less un-presented cheques \$0.00

**As per Book Balance** **\$4,873.95**

**ING Account to 31st December 2015**

Opening Book Balance from 31/10/2015 \$10,856.38

**Income**

Date	Details	Category	Amount
30/11/2015	Interest	Interest	\$20.08
31/12/2015	Interest	Interest	\$20.78

**Expenses**

No.	Date	Details	Category	Amount
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**Balance** \$10,897.24

## Bathurst High Campus- Denison College P&C

1st January- 31st January 2016

**Westpac Account**

Opening Book Balance from 31/12/2015 \$4,873.95

**Income**

Date	Details	Category	Amount
31/01/2016	Interest	Interest	
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>\$0.00</b>

**Expenses**

Chq. No.	Date	Details	Category	Amount
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Book Balance</b>				<b>\$4,873.95</b>

**Bank Statement Reconciliation**

Balance as per Bank Statement at 31/12/2015 **\$4,873.95**

Plus Outstanding Deposits \$0.00

Less un-presented cheques \$0.00

**As per Book Balance** **\$4,873.95**

**ING Account to 31st January 2016**

Opening Book Balance from 31/12/2015 \$10,897.24

**Income**

Date	Details	Category	Amount
31/01/2016	Interest	Interest	\$20.82

**Expenses**

No.	Date	Details	Category	Amount
<b>Balance</b>				<b>\$10,918.06</b>

## **Principal's Report**

1. Work is about to start on the disabled access. Hines have won the tender again. First meeting for the commencement of works tomorrow. There will be some disruption.
2. Early days for the numbers but we look to be up to about 990 – 1000 students. With all the changes in personnel that occurred at the end of term, we have a timetable that needs considerable adjustment. There will be a second timetable towards the end of term and there could be several teacher changes. This is especially true for Year 7 where there has been a larger than expected intake and we will have to adjust some classes. This could not have been anticipated or avoided.
3. Positions to fill – HT Welfare, two English positions, one TAS position and one other.
4. Work during the holidays – painting of the outside of the hall to match the rest of the buildings. Completion of work in the Autism classrooms. More windows replaced in old building
5. The cost of manually billing parents is huge – now about \$900 per

## **Discussion from Principals report**

P&C Representatives for potential Interview panels

English Teachers Cassandra Jones and Sandra Hamer

TAS teacher Trevor Liu

Head Teacher Welfare Caroline Jones

Deputy Principal Carol Neary

Ideas to replace sending out of accounts for school fees. The meeting suggested txt approximate costs and due dates, give the students the accounts & SMS parents, online payment portal, and the ability to pay with credit card over the phone. Or some combination of the above. The accounts are not due until March.

Motion for the P&C to fund the purchase of the shirts for the BHC cricket team. Moved Melanie Baines , seconded Vickie Osborne carried unanimously

Canteen Account \$26505.71 and Uniform Shop Account \$14904.16

## **College Principal's Report**

### **Welcome to 2016!**

I wish all students, staff and parents the very best for the commencement of the 2016 academic year. For those returning, welcome back! For those who are new to the Denison College community, welcome – I know that you will very quickly become part of the fabric at your local campus.

Whilst there has been some movement at the campuses, College staffing this year remains largely unchanged from 2015, although we were very sad to farewell Mrs Lesley Macready from her key role on the Online Learning Team after several years of outstanding service.

### **High Achievers' Reception**

This annual event was held on Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> February, at Bathurst Goldfields. Almost 200 students, parents and staff were present to see around fifty students from Years 10, 11 and 12 2015 receive recognition for their academic achievement in the HSC and school based assessment. The venue was outstanding, and we were pleased to welcome The Hon. Paul Toole (State Member for Bathurst), Prof. Jo-Anne Reid (CSU Head of Campus – Bathurst) and Ms Toni MacDonald (Director Public Schools NSW, Bathurst Network) as our special guests.

### **Visits to the Halls of Power, Part II**

Last report I discussed my visits to Canberra in mid-November 2015 to meet with various politicians from both sides of the house to discuss the importance of a needs-based model of school funding, consistent with the "Review of Funding for Schooling" (2011) conducted by an expert panel chaired by respected businessman, David Gonkski . During our visit, I highlighted the positive impact that Gonski funding has had on students at both campuses. There have been a number of significant announcements in relation to this topic during recent weeks. I encourage all members of the school community to visit [www.igiveagonski.com.au](http://www.igiveagonski.com.au) or speak to your campus principal for more information.

Craig Petersen  
College Principal

### **General Business:**

- Geoff volunteered to compile a concise report about how the Gonski funding (18% so far) has been used at BHC and the results so far, and potential changes needed if the funding ceases.
- Trevor mentioned the bus Interchange at Kelso will be inspected by the Director to explore solutions to make the situation safer for all students. Our P&C may need to work with other P&Cs to facilitate a suitable solution.
- Geoff mentioned there are pavers available for potential use as a fund raiser. Sandra Hamer volunteered to investigate options.

### **Business Without Notice:**

- Gates not being open before school finishes. Parents have seen a few students climb over the fences rather than wait for the gates to be opened as well as having to wait themselves in order to be able to collect their children. Geoff will follow up.
- Query when the hessian will be put up for the handball court in the unit soon.
- Aquatic Farm trout have grown over the Summer, so there will be some delay before more are ready for sale.
- Any family keen to host some Japanese students for the first weekend in March please contact the Bathurst Visitor Centre 63321444

- Canteen Menu for 2016 circulated to the meeting, also available on online.

**Meeting Closed at 9:20pm**

**Next Meeting: AGM & Normal Meeting Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2016 at 7.30pm**