



Bathurst High Campus P&C Association



Minutes of the General Meeting held Wednesday 7th October 2015

Attendance: Gillian McNarey, Cassandra Jones, James Meares, , Trevor Liu, Kathy Howard, Mandy Irwin, Linda Ralls, Geoff Hastings , Gaye Dunshae, Sandra Hamer, Michael Smith ,John Browett, Leanne Jones, Sarah Veilande, , Stephanie Scott , Craig Petersen and Melanie Baines(minutes)

Apologies: Caroline Gold, Vicki Osbourne, Kylie Shead, Carol Neary, Jenny Stirling and Penny Packham .

Meeting Opened: 7:30pm

Acceptance of the September 2015 Minutes:

The September 2015 Minutes were accepted once the document from Peter Meares & response from Geoff Hastings were included and it noted that they were discussed during the meeting.

Moved: Trevor Liu Seconded: Gillian McNarey Carried unanimously

Business Arising

- BYOD Geoff has started meeting with Feeder School Principals to discuss BHC policy. He will also attend Year6 parents meetings to discuss implications for students going into Year7 2016
- Oval Pumping System was not connected during the holidays, Geoff will expedite before oval gets too dry.
- Autism class already got enrolments, in the process of employing teacher, preparing the learning space for commencing day one 2016.
- Disabled Access proceeding, TSO changing rooms to facilitate progress, elevators will be used by students with teachers and has added benefits of improving OH&S for lugging musical equipment for outside performances.
- The Year 10 Jumpers for 2016 Geoff has had one or two individual students meet with him but is yet to have an representative group from the current Yr9 meet to make their case in favour of a year 10 jumper in 2016.
- Performance Arts Space Curtains :Geoff sadly received confirmation that the purchase of curtains is not eligible for Community grants so we will go ahead with the purchase but will not receive any reimbursement .
- P&C pigeon hole is now clearly marked.
- Tell them from me Parents survey details provided to meeting to try & give feedback before next Monday> SAS person has been employed to facilitate the survey to the wider parent body.
- Repairs from the flood in the gym have been carried out at no cost to the school. This includes repairing the fault in the pipes (which caused the problem) Fixing up the quad area, removing the water and it is likely the lino will also be replaced

Correspondence

- **In:**
 - Bank statement
 - Thank you from Bathurst Eisteddfod Society for our donation.
- **Out:**
 - Nil

Presidents Report:

Disabled Access Plans were circulated by email Trevor noted that they are very extensive. He attempted the School Website Survey which is run by the DEC but found survey closed. Also attended the Year 12 Commendation Ceremony which was a good event and found the Guest Speaker (P&C Patron) spoke very well. Queried the ability of the school to record these Alumni speakers in order to be able to present to other students.

Treasurer’s Report:

Bathurst High Campus- Denison College P&C

1st September- 30th September 2015

Westpac Account

Opening Book Balance from 31/08/2015 \$4,941.35

Income

Date	Details	Category	Amount
22/09/2015	Cadbury Chocolates (Mondelēz)	Cadbury Fundraising	\$660.00
30/09/2015	Interest	Interest	\$1.30
Subtotal			\$661.30

Expenses

Chq. No.	Date	Details	Category	Amount
				\$0.00
Subtotal				
Book Balance				\$5,602.65

Bank Statement Reconciliation

Balance as per Bank Statement at 30/9/2015 \$5,602.65
 Plus Outstanding Deposits \$0.00

Less un-presented cheques \$0.00

As per Book Balance **\$5,602.65**

ING Account to 30th September 2015

Opening Book Balance from 31/08/2015 \$10,816.67

Income

Date	Details	Category	Amount
30/09/2015	Interest	Interest	\$20.00

Expenses

No.	Date	Details	Category	Amount
Balance				\$10,836.67

It was agreed at the meeting for treasurer to investigate availability of other auditors.

Principal's Report

1 The Yr12 Presentation Day was successful. The payoff between the intimacy of the PAT and the size of the gym- ad hoc question Parents & students preferred the PAT, P&C meeting attendees agreed. School will look at being able to expand the seating to 320. This will mean we can seat snugly students (&family) of years up to 110 students.

2 Our Head Teacher of Maths has resigned. She has been on leave from BHC since 2007. The position will go through merit selection process.

3 Currently have many teaching positions to fill over the next few months- 2 in HSIE,2 in Maths, 2 in Support, 2 in TAS. Busy times. All are at the end of EOI or at staffing and waiting to see if we will form a panel. Will keep the P&C informed if representatives are needed.

4 Repairs are continuing after the water debacle. Outside lines and holes in the ground all filled in.

5 Year 12 raised just over six thousand dollars. Rather than a present to the school they are looking to donations to Headspace and Goldie College Fund.

6 Tell Them from Me Survey – access details were distributed. Any feedback on the nature of the questions by next Monday morning Geoffrey.hasings@det.nsw.edu.au gratefully received.

7 BYOD visits to Primary School Principals have started.

8 Autism Class approved and processes for its placement commenced.

9 I have been successful in my application for a Principal School Leadership (flexible) position. Theory is that we are Principals with specific skills who are able to come out of our schools on call for specific tasks eg It might be to assist a school that wants assistance in a particular area. It is short term and with relief. Could be anywhere.

10 Our transition process is currently underway for students moving from 11 to 12.

Also congratulations to the Music ,Vocal and Dance groups from BHC who performed so well at the recent Bathurst Eisteddfod. The Concert band was singled out for their success; as a true indication that the rebuilding process is going well and all the hard work is paying off.

Canteen Account 23,232.99 and Uniform Shop Account \$13,823.62

College Principal's Report,

Firstly Craig congratulated Geoff for his success in Principal School Leadership position. He further explained the position was a recognition of Geoff's IT skills and chosen to fit in with the operation of the Bathurst High campus.

Verbal Report of the Helsinki Visit

There were 10 delegates from NSW amongst 1200 people from 50 countries. The presentation was well received and The RAM funding model was acknowledged as world class. The NSW system was in a relatively good position because of its large size and good relations between Principals, the DEC

And the Teachers Federation. Common problems identified included Disengaged youth, decreases in funding and resources, hostile parents, government interference and Facebook.

Equity was discussed and Tony Abbotts first Cabinet was presented as an example of lack of gender equity, the Finnish equivalent had greater than 50% women representation.

Educational outcomes were also examined human relations were seen as important to success but not able to be tested. Equally intrinsic motivation was seen as vital to both short term & long term educational outcomes.

The conference was a great networking opportunity but sadly due to it being annual holidays our delegation did not get any opportunities to visit schools

General Business:

- From the September meeting it was suggested we need to acknowledge the long term attendance and commitment provided by Jenny Arthur and Lyndall Ross. Both these ladies youngest children have now graduated from year 12. Lyndall was on the P&C executive over several years and they will both be missed. Thank you to both from all P&C members.

Business Without Notice:

The Kel Cook Cup is happening and again information is being circulated informally rather than formally. Undertaking for txt to parents as well as Facebook once a mutually acceptable date is found.

Gates are not always unlocked by pick up time. GA has been on leave and replacement may not have been aware. Geoff will reinforce the gate duty requirements.

Gay Dunshae & Wendy Hastings are about to take a trip tp the Solomon Islands to visit BHS sister school, Goldie College. They are after donations of bras for the school students. Any donations can be left at the front office before next Thursday October 15th.

It was suggested discussions regarding parenting need to acknowledge the role of both genders and put this in context when decisions require singling out mother e.g. as the first mobile that texts are sent to.

Naplan results will be presented at Novembers meeting.

Meeting Closed at 9:20pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday 4th november2015 at 7.30pm