



**Bathurst High Campus P&C Association**



### **Minutes of the General Meeting held Wednesday 4th March 2015**

**Attendance:** Gillian McNarey, John Browett, Cassandra Jones, James Meares, Wendy Inwood, Sarah Veilande, Trevor Liu, Kathy Howard, Mandy Irwin, Jenny Arthur, Yulonda Phillips, Linda Ralls, Stephanie Scott, Sandra Hamer, Lyndall Ross, Carol Neary, Kylie Shead, James Bevan, Jenny Stirling and Melanie Baines (minutes)

**Apologies:** Sarah – Jane Beuzeville, Vicki Osbourne, Micheal Smith, Craig Petersen, Geoff Hastings, Merryl David, Megan Bond, Penny Packham and Leanne Jones

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**Meeting Opened:** 8:00pm

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

The February 2015 Minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Gillian McNarey    Seconded: Kathy Howard    Carried unanimously

#### **Business Arising**

- BYOD There have been some technical issues which are being investigated. The Maths department has had issues with the server but they are being addressed. Staff are continuing with their professional development and the school is being proactive regarding the establishment of a Student book for every subject. Google apps are going well and the development of a student diary continues. Millennium is being well utilised by parents.
- Canteen has received 1 quote for the splashback which is required by the Health Department to be floor to ceiling. The cost was quite large so they are now looking at tiling as an option.
- School Plan is addressed in the Principals report
- Teacher Positions are on hold so parent representatives will be contacted as they are needed.

#### **Correspondence**

- **In:**
  - Notice of P&C Board District Elections any one interested details can be given.
  - Invitation to purchase fresh trout from the Agriculture Department. Orders through the office.
  - Masters Hardware offering opportunities for fund raising BBQ
  - Email from KHS regarding sharing P&C meeting minutes.
- **Out:**
  - Nil.

#### **Presidents Report:**

- It has been a relatively quiet month but thanks to all for coming along. The greater the numbers who attend the broader the discussions can be

### **Treasurers report**

It was a very quiet month so our working account balance remains the same as last month - \$5584 and following the addition of interest, our interest bearing account has a balance of \$10689.

Wendy will liaise with our new Treasurer Sandra Hamer regarding changing over account signatories.

### **Principal's Report**

1. Opening of the Gymnasium and Performing Arts Theatre. From 10.15 Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>. All P&C members welcome to come to the assembly at 11.15 am. 2014 President plus the past P&C presidents for the last ten years. The program highlights the use of the facilities and includes Kelso High input as part of the college.
2. We have converted one of the seminar rooms to a identified Yr 12 high achieving student study room. This is part of a trial program that has come from Castle Hill High School. The second study room has now been set up as a second study room. This will be available to students who are aiming for an ATAR and are in Year 12. The students will have to have demonstrated a strong commitment to their studies to be eligible to study in this room. They will also have to be doing an HSC with an ATAR attached. Each study room will accommodate about 15 students. Jenny Stirling can speak more on this if needed.

Some of the major thrusts of the next three years have been developed and are being fleshed out in the

3. new school plan:
  1. ALARM for the HSC
  2. BYOD 7 – 12
  3. Mentoring projects for the HSC
  4. Mentoring for High Performing Aboriginal Students
  5. Ongoing Literacy focus through leadership of a Head Teacher Literacy. Focus continues to be on student writing.
  6. Literacy transition from 6 – 7.
  7. Numeracy transition from 6 – 7.
  8. Development of our use of Google as a collaborative environment
  9. Reinvigoration of Positive Behaviour for Learning program
  10. Ongoing Headspace connection through a

All of this is addition to the things we already offer.

4. Large screen and projector has been installed in the Performing Arts Theatre.
5. First use of the facilities for Yr 7 Meet the Teacher was pretty successful except for discovery of leaks in the storm. These have been or are being corrected.
6. Staffing – our actual numbers came in very close to our anticipated numbers with a slight increase. School has about 970 students. Changes to our timetable will be small but there will be some as we have to create a TAS class in Year 7 and there are some messy splits of two teachers on a class that we will try to eliminate. New timetable will most likely start in week 9.

The Athletes Carnival has been postponed until April 24<sup>th</sup> (early term2). The Western Regional Carnival will be held in July.

Feedback regarding Google classrooms had been positive. They work like a forum and provide another way for students to get their work if they have been absent.

#### **Campus Principal Report**

None presented this evening.

#### **General Business:**

- Trevor invited people to email via the gmail account anything they would like put onto the agenda But remind people they will have to talk to the issues they raise.
- 2014 Bathurst Burr Magazine is available for purchase at the office for \$25 per copy.

#### **Business Without Notice:**

- Lyndall suggested that the school should look at Selection for House Captains which both formalises the process and instils the value of the positions. The meeting suggested House Captain badges could be sourced as Peer Support Leaders currently have badges.
- Further suggestions were for more open & transparent criteria for all school sporting teams. As well as continued work on improving the timeliness of notes to parents regarding the dates & costs of participation in school sporting events.
- Adding the Pupil Free Dates into the schools calendar
- Darlene Macri's contribution to the School through her regular P&C attendance and involvement in the canteen and Graduation committees was acknowledged.
- Similarly Des Crawford was acknowledged for the great job he is doing in guiding Year 12 students through the opportunities that exist in the Early Entry options at some Universities.
- Carol Neary made a presentation to Wendy Inwood in recognition of her contribution to the School and P&C over the many years of her involvement.

**Meeting Closed at 9:20pm**

**Next Meeting: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 at 7.30pm**