Minutes of P&C Association  
Tuesday 18th August 2015

The meeting opened at 7.50pm

Attendees: Bronwyn Smith, Julia Petrulis, Ray Seguna, Gilbert Watt, Jillian Tourlas, Louise Seguna, Yvette Conn, Sandra McDonald, Lisa Pieper, Tanya Koorey, Vivian Mepstead, Paula Squires, Janet Fuller, Gina Sproules, Robert Barker, Sarina Randoja, Sean McCauley, Shivana Mudaliar, Cameron Ram, Ruby Lucas, Tom Fraser, Alyssa Mcallef, Geoffrey Sutherland, Annabelle Pearce, Harry Trehowan, Eliza Florian, Katrina Andrus,

Apologies: Melissa Thomson, Leanne Luzar

Minutes: July minutes were accepted without change.  
Nominated: Yvette Conn  Seconded: Ray Seguna

Business arising:  
No business arising.

SRC Report:  
We met with Ms Tourlas and Mrs Petrulis to discuss what the priorities were to focus on around the school with the P&C support.  A survey went out to each of the years and we discovered that the number 1 priority across years 7 – 12 is to renovate another toilet block.  The second item on the list is to renovate the PE change rooms.  The science labs will be painted in the school colours – teal and blue.  
One of the outcomes from the survey from younger students is that they would like to see more seating around the school.  
The letter regarding the bus shelter structure has gone out to residents and no letters have been received in the 21 day cut off period which means we can go ahead with the installation.  
This survey was conducted for the benefit of the P&C to be able to draft a budget around a list of priorities and needs around the school as seen by the students.

PREFECTS REPORT: - Robert Barker, Eliza Florian  
Eliza – I would like to say thank you to the P&C for all your support over the past year.  
Robert – I would also like to add that the new team you see here tonight are all very deserving of their roles.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Delivered by Vivian Mepstead  
General account has $3,963  
$15,000 was transferred across - $10,000 was spent on the drama lights and a $5,000 contribution to the musical.
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT: Delivered by Jillian Tourlas

Kaea Bidois is representing swimming at International level in Adelaide in November. Can the P&C support this in some way? P&C will contribute $200 towards this.

The HUB garden is currently being landscaped and we look forward to it being enjoyed by our students.

Thanks for your (P&C) support with the musical – it was a great success.

The science labs – all meetings, plans, minutes and discussions with the team from Public Works have been run professionally, promptly and we are not far off beginning the renovation (after the HSC in November). We couldn’t be happier with the result to date.

LIBRARY

(Jillian provided an explanation to the P&C regarding the previous Wednesday’s meeting with Public Works, architects etc regarding the library). Each meeting, minutes from previous discussions are either handed out at the current meeting or emailed a day or 2 before the meeting. We were presented with incorrect architectural drawings – with stairs being in the wrong position, floor space reduced and many other mistakes.

P&C expressed concern about the wasting of our executive’s time attending ill prepared meetings.

A report was written by Jillian Tourlas and Julia Petrulis outlining the many discrepancies that were presented at this meeting. This report was forwarded onto Tim McCallum (Director) who then sent it on to the head Project Manager. He has made a time to meet with Jillian, Lisa and Julia on Thursday morning.

P&C discussed if it would be possible to have the project management team consulting on our science labs to be appointed as the team to preside over the library rebuild.

P&C discussed that as we are at 16 months post fire, the amount of wasted time of our executives, the non-communication between the project manager and our executives, drawing plans without visiting the site and many other anomalies, are all completely unacceptable.

The P&C would like to see that after Thursday’s meeting with the Project Manager an agreement has been made to proceed with Option 2, as presented in February 2015 – built to those specifications of 820sqm, like-for-like, to include all the ideas discussed in original meetings.

P&C fully support the report documenting all the issues that was forwarded to Tim McCallum and higher executives. P&C are in full support of our executive team and the measures they have gone to ensuring a library will be rebuilt that meets all the criteria discussed in previous meetings. If Thursday’s meeting results in further negative and unproductive negotiations, the P&C will be contacting Mr Matt Kean MP to involve himself in this situation.

CANTEEN: Delivered by Gina Sproule

We have resolved our staffing issues in the canteen. With the restructure of the manager’s role becoming full time, we feel there will be more uniformity in the canteen.

We had 6 applications and interviewed 3.

Sally Inwood from Glenhaven Public School has accepted our offer. She has been at the school for 15 years so has a great deal of experience. Sally will begin on the 31st August. Debbie will help train Sally over her 1st week or so. Sara will be available to help train also.

Sally gave great feedback regarding Flexischools and how it will take about 12 months to function properly.

Thanks to the canteen committee for all their support with this process.

Also, I need to have the cabling connected in the canteen. Julia to talk to Jason and organise this.

Jill, we are interested in visiting Castle Hill High Canteen to get some ideas. Jill to phone the school to organise.

P&L – end of June around $7,500. We do have to pay some long service leave to Lynne. It will be around $3,100.

Once this has been paid we can transfer some of the money over to P&C account.

Sally also asked for $1.74 above award and 4 weeks holiday pay. This is to match her current wages at Glenhaven PS.

No news on signage – we would like SRC to be involved in this.

Ray: I would like to suggest P&C give a gift to Lynne and Debbie – up to $100 per person.

Yvette to organise vouchers and present to them on their last days of work.

UNIFORM SHOP: Delivered by Vivian Mepstead

Sheri Wearn to run the uniform shop for Anne while she is on annual leave for 5 weeks beginning the 24th August.

SOCIAL: Ray

Ray: There are 2 events to organise from social committee – Year 7 welcome breakfast and Chatter over a Platter.
Do we know anyone in the community that would take on the role?
Tanya: I will ask Leanne Luzar as she mentioned she would be interested.
Chatter over a Platter will be held on Saturday 19th March 2016.
Year 7 orientation will be on Wednesday 2nd December 2015.

MUSIC ENSEMBLE: Janet Fuller
Thank you so much for your financial support. We had professional lighting and sound crew with that funding and it makes all the difference in the world. The students had a wonderful experience from this. A huge thank you to Vivian Mepstead for stepping up to play in the band for the musical.

GENERAL BUSINESS:
The next meeting will be held on 8th September 2015 which is the 2nd Tuesday (instead of the 3rd Tuesday) in September.

This is due to the last week being taken up with Year 12 celebrations – ie Yr 12 Presentation Night, Yr 12 Formal, breakfast, picnic day and farewell assembly.

Meeting closed 9.25pm

The Next P&C Meeting will Be Held On:
TUESDAY, 8th September 2015
At 7.30pm