

Minutes — BBPS P&C Meeting — 16 August 2016, 7pm

Attendance: Rob Keldoulis, Merran Hughes, Taminga, Antje Hofmann, Jo Stein, Justine Bennett, Janelle Warhurst, Kylie Biddle, Richard Watts, Ellie Waddel, Camilla Hamilford, Georgie Howard

Apologies: Liezel Preller, Cath Kara, Helen, Andi Breslin, Kimberly Johns

Principal's Report — welcome to Janelle Warhurst, Acting Principal

Thank you to the community for the wonderful fundraiser which occurred during my first week at Bondi Beach PS. All of us appreciate what you do and the harmony within the school has been evident to me from day one. This harmony is across the staff and teachers are professional and truly care about each other. The parents and carers hold the teachers in high esteem and value their work.

I have seen some exceptional student engagement and programs as I visit classes and will continue to do this as teaching and learning and student well-being is a priority for me.

As an educator over many years I understand the value of a rich and vibrant curriculum which embeds twenty first century learning within all areas. At a time in our world where students need empathy and understanding the Arts and Sciences and our emphasis on STEM or STEAM is fundamental to this. Over time I've seen many students continuously improve through engagement and motivation in Drama, Art, Music, Science, Maths, Geography, History and PDHPE. We have just received our roll-out for technology from the DoE and will be meeting as a team to decide which kinds of computers and ipads our students need.

Teachers at our school are constantly up-skilling and engaging in their own learning to enable further opportunities for their students. Last Thursday after school our teachers participated in the teaching of English skills such as inferential comprehension through Drama with John Saunders from the Sydney Theatre Company. This term K-6 teachers continue to create exciting, integrated units of work for the teaching of History, Geography and Science with an academic partner Dr Bronwyn Macleod.

Register of parent and carer expertise. Please indicate if you would like to be on this register and what you would like to assist with.

Uniform survey: Statistics indicate the change to the navy shirt with yellow trim in poly/cotton (see reports of Survey Monkey).

Suggestions for use of funds raised by the Disco Ball. Urban Landscapes will be coming to give us a quote next week for an outdoor classroom. This company have been used by many local schools and are supported by the department. Last week I met with Rob, Sarah and Alexia to discuss a possible focus for the funds raised. Our top suggestions are: Band – possibly \$10,000 with the possibility of this being every year, an outdoor classroom behind the hall \$30,000, green screen, ipads, cameras and a Mac computer for movie making and editing \$15,000, software and ipads for music program to enable garage band and music composition \$5,000. Can OSCH fund some of these?

Merran Hughes would like to save some money for teacher assistants and the violin group. Merran and Janelle will meet to make a sustainable violin plan. Need one for the choir too. Camilla would like to see a boys choir.

Assets: New roof \$600,000-700,000 possibly done in the Christmas holidays.

Learning centre has been designated as two classrooms for 2017 if needed. Predicting 100 kindergarten students next year. Do we keep the learning space open as a co-learning space?

Rob and Janelle liaising with asset management unit in regard to joint funded capital works for 2017 and beyond.

Assets will carpet and paint certain areas in the school and carpet squares are now available.

Science Week: This week is Science Week although Bondi Beach Public School will be celebrating it in weeks 9 and 10. We are pleased to have parents on this and other committees where possible. You can find many wonderful activities for your children to do for Science Week in Sydney by going to the following links. <http://www.scienceweek.net.au/> and <https://sydney-science.com.au/>

As part of National Science Week, the Sydney Science Festival aims to:

- Motivate and inspire young Sydneysiders
- Increase appreciation and recognition of science in Sydney
- Create an engaged and involved city
- Stimulate collaboration and partnerships
- Support creativity and excellence in science engagement
- Support Inspiring Australia's national strategy for community engagement with science.

Stage Two WEDO robotics with Mrs Cairns from the library. Year 4 Story Lego. Year 5 Robo Kids robotics. All grades: Science activities in the lead up to the holidays.

Chicken Coop – Mr Delaney has put together a proposal and I will table this for your comment.

School Plan: Exec and teachers are currently analysing our NAPLAN and systems of assessment through our strategic directions to determine areas of growth and those which will need to be modified.

The Department DoE will pay for a new roof to the cost of \$700,000. Kylie wants to know if they can add some solar panels?

Treasure's Report

\$28,000 from OSHC allocated to upgrade the tech space in the library. Andi, Sam Flemming, Alecia and Janelle are working on this.

Fundraising Report Antje

Studio 54 Disco Ball — a huge thank you to Gail Butler and her team of tireless volunteers who organised a truly fabulous party at the North Bondi RSL. We raised an astounding \$74,000 net for the school! Thank you to everyone who attended and donated so generously. We are currently liaising with the teachers to identify where we can put these funds to the best possible use.

City 2 Surf Parking — once again thank you so much Kimberly Johns for singlehandedly organising this massive fundraiser. This event is expected to contribute a further \$8–9,000; final numbers to be confirmed. Kimberly would like to retire, looking for someone to take over the coordination.

Father's Day Basketball Shootout —preparations for this year's Father's Day shootout are well under way. Look out for the announcement and the Doodle RSVP link, and please encourage all parents to respond to this simple survey. We need numbers attending to make sure that we can cater for everyone, and also manage the shootout itself appropriately. 2 September.

Aboriginal Art Fair at BBPS — on the weekend of 21–23 October, BBPS will for the first time host an art fair featuring wonderful Aboriginal artworks from central Australia. Thank you to Georgie Howard for organising this event in collaboration with the Watarrka Foundation. This event is not a school fundraiser. It creates instead a unique opportunity for BBPS to 'give back' by supporting Aboriginal artists from central Australia and providing funding for primary school education in remote Aboriginal communities. The P&C are providing volunteer capacity to organise the event, and we need volunteers to contribute to marketing/promotion, social media coverage, and the logistics throughout the weekend. The P&C receives 15% of the proceeds, the Lilla Foundation receives a further 15%, and 70% goes back directly to the gallery and artists. Ros from the markets has already agreed to help. Val Martin will help.

BBPS Branded Keep Cups — as an initiative to reduce waste produced by disposable coffee cups, Camilla Hamilford proposed to purchase good-quality reusable coffee mugs with a BBPS logo, which could be on sale for a small benefit to the P&C and available through the canteen or uniform shop. They may also be ad-ons to existing fundraisers like the Father's Day basketball. Need \$2,400 for the first order. All favour of funding the initial order.

Open Air Movie Night — the fundraising committee is planning an open air movie night as a social function and opportunity to get together. We initially planned to host this event prior to the start of daylight saving. We are currently evaluating whether to proceed, or to postpone to the end of summer (Term 2/2017). Agreed to postpone until next year.

Welcome BBQ 2017 — we are looking for a volunteer or two from this year's Kindergarten parents to put together the Welcome BBQ for new families for early next year. It is a straightforward event to organise, and those who organised the afternoon in previous years are ready to assist. If you would like to become involved, please contact fundraising@bbpspandc.org.au.

Thank you drinks / reunion for volunteers — in our effort to recruit and retain new parents for the P&C, it has been suggested to organise a small scale evening drinks event as a thank you to P&C volunteers. This would also be an opportunity to highlight ways to become involved, and provide specific information regarding positions we would like to fill to an audience who has already committed to assisting the school.

Coffee machine for staff — the fundraising committee has discussed the desire to donate a coffee machine and regular supplies of coffee/tea and condiments to the school staff. Potential problems include cleaning and maintenance. We would like further input from staff as to what would be a preferred setup. What would the staff like? OSCH give the staff a bowl of fruit every week.

OSCH Report Ellie

It has been a great term. We have 130 children attending in the afternoons. Applying for a license increase for next year so we can accommodate all students. Offering four classes of Spanish. Plus craft, sport, homework club. Lots of extra activities. Staff wise had a great recruitment drive and now have some great staff about 17 staff and Jo is back and happy to be back. Have a new nutrition role, who will be dedicated to preparing the menu with Tabitha, Naturopath and Clinical Nutritionist. OSCH finance (hoping to make \$200,00 per year) we had lots of costs in the first year. Term 1 made \$43,000. The biggest costs are salaries and Becklyn. Finances will go up on the website after the OSCH meeting.

Canteen Report

Organising some food safety training for the canteen staff. Doing a healthy eating promotion with Sydney Markets. Canteen is doing a lot for the school. Good to have two managers Jules and Nic. Would like to put up the wages, all in favour of the increase.