

## Minutes — BBPS P&C Meeting — 8 November 2016, 7pm

Attendance: Rob Keldoulis, Merran Hughes, Taminga, Justine Bennett, Janelle Warhurst, Andi Breslin, Olivia Wright, Kylie Biddle, Fiona Kowalski

Apologies: Antje Hofmann, Jo Stein, Ellie Waddel, Georgie Howard, Kath Cara

### Principal's Report — Janelle Warhurst, Acting Principal

Written by Janelle Warhurst: **Futures learning:** Belinda Shehadie and I visited the DoE Futures Learning exhibition at technology Park today. We gathered many ideas and much enthusiasm for flexible learning spaces. Some of the advantages presented were that flexible learning spaces accelerate and enhance learning, increase opportunities for peer interaction, incorporate a range of learning activities. Thought provoking questions for teachers include: Do you need a flexible learning space to teach innovatively or do you need innovative teaching to teach in flexible learning space? Parent information session in 2017. Teachers visiting Futures Learning this term and next year. Flexible furniture is designed to allow spaces for: explicit teaching, demonstrating learning, independent learning, feedback and reflection spaces, discussing learning, collaborative learning and guided learning.

In 2017 teachers have decided to begin an exciting project with the CSIRO (funded by the Federal government) whereby we are linked with STEM mentors in our geographical community who assist teachers in leading projects in maths, science, digital technologies or engineering.

**WWCC policy** Could all parents and carers please complete their WWCC before attending excursions or helping in classrooms. This can be completed at the RTA and your documentation provided to our front office. In 2017 all teachers will also need to have this completed as well.

**Capital or asset related work:** undercroft, outdoor classroom. These exciting projects are becoming a reality through the hard work and skills of our community. Thank you Demis and Kirsten.

Any feedback on communication would be appreciated as only 53 percent of families are opening our newsletter. In 2016 a survey was done and it would be great to know why this is the case as a weekly newsletter was desired.

**Staffing:** We are currently planning staffing of classes in 2017. Our temporary teachers are outstanding and we will also have two extra classes next year.

It would be wonderful to see new parents as well as existing parents at these meetings. Do we find that Kindergarten parents and new families attend in the new year?

TTFM survey will be emailed. Thank you everyone, Janelle Warhurst

### General

Too many dogs along the school fence and too close to the gates. Can dogs be away from the entrance where the footpath is narrow. Make a dog parking zone and dog free zone.

Could the Grandparents Week invite please go out earlier? Try Booking wasn't used this year. That is usually good for Grandparents who can't make it. Usually makes \$3000 for the library fund.

**Fundraising ideas:** have certain years organise particular fundraisers. Sell mango trays to order.

**Welcome BBQ 2017** — Fiona Kowalski is organising the kindy welcome. Change the format to sausages, or burgers or pizza and a gelato van. Thanks Fiona!

**First P&C Meeting** for next year would like to make it more interesting to encourage new members. Fun info night.

The financial reports need to be audited. Statements will be audited before the P&C AGM.

### Financial Report

Carol Schwarz will email the financial statements. Olivia Wright, has been nominated for Treasurer, seconded and all in favour. Thanks.

**Teacher's Wish** list from Andi. We have spent \$11,000 this year on the wish list. Third phase of the building plan (this is coming out of the grant money, spent \$67,000 so only have about \$13,000 left from this grant) is the outdoor learning classroom behind the school. We have a parent Kirsten who is a landscape architect, volunteering to plan the outdoor learning space. Will cost between \$30–60,000 depending on what work etc we can get for free. Thank you Demis and Kirsten.

Additional toilet cleaning needed. This is an ongoing issue.

**From Cath Kara:** need a bulk purchase of clean underwear for the school office. There is a supply of clean underwear for accidents that happen at school. We are out of spare underwear. With the new systems in place its not so easy to just whip out and buy some and get reimbursed – you have to be registered as a vendor etc. I'm happy if need be to go and buy bulk from Kmart or Target or Big W and present a receipt for reimbursement from the P&C if that's going to work – maybe \$100 to start as a restock and then ad hoc?

**Yellow shirts** we could use some as spares in the same cupboard – for paint mishaps or rainy days. Will reduce the tops going into landfill.

### **OSHC Report Olivia Wright**

OSHC has bought 20 laptops for the school. Have focused on extra curricula clubs, music, language, coding etc.

Starting a process of formal reviews of the educators. Spending money on training etc. Would like to say thank you for Rob and Andi's work and effort that has been put into the centre. The survey was very positive. Have been getting great feedback and recommendations.