

# Hunters Hill High School Parents & Citizens' Association

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## MINUTES OF P&C MEETING - 22 OCTOBER, 2018

## **Meeting Details**

7:00pm Staff Common Room, HHHS Chaired by Mitch Kirkman, P&C President Minutes taken by Martin Brown, P&C Secretary

#### Attendees

10 P&C members signed the attendance sheet. The Principal also attended.

## **Apologies**

- 1. Joanna Craig
- 2. Heather Curdie
- 3. Emma Paxton

## Student Representative Council Recycling Proposals

SRC representatives (and new School Vice-Captains) Jacob O'Laughlin and Tess Szeto presented.

- 1. Develop a veggie garden:
  - a. To include collection of compost from bins around the school
  - b. School community activity
  - c. Need to be careful of correct use of composting bin (eg. no meat)
  - d. P&C have access to wholesale plants
  - e. Produce would possibly for use in cooking classes
- 2. Healthy options in the canteen: for mental and physical health
- 3. Reduce use of single use plastic water bottles:
  - a. School reusable water bottle, for sale in canteen to supplement loss of sale of single use bottles
  - b. Possibility of chilled dispenser in canteen area
  - c. Changing behaviour is a challenge
  - d. Possibly just remove sale of bottled water from the canteen
  - e. Complements year 12 provisioning of more bubblers
- 4. Recycling bins:
  - a. For veggie garden and other uses
  - b. Decorated by students to increase usage
  - c. \$2,000 approximate cost for paper recycling bins in each classroom
- 5. SRC to supply costings

# Principal's Report

- 1. HSC exams are underway
- 2. Colour Run staff feedback was very positive and was beneficial for general school relations. Lots of very positive reports from students. Lots of enthusiasm for next year. Many students asked for a live band for afterwards.
- 3. C Block roof to be replaced by Assets
- 4. Buses: Sydney transport are adding extra services for 2019 to cater for numbers to Lane Cove and Chatswood via Lane Cove. Principle to raise lack of stops in Lane Cove as a concern.
- 5. Year 11 subject selection:

- a. Feedback has been expressed from some parents regarding process for student discussions regarding initial Yr 11 subject allocations and suggestions made to improve.
- b. Particularly demand noted for Extension Maths (54 yr10 students)
- c. Finalisation of subject offerings is expected by end of November
- d. Counselling on subject choices is currently being run with students
- e. Mentors will be involved in coming years
- 6. New English head teacher, new science teacher, and new Chinese ESL teacher have started. Head teacher TAS interviews starting soon. English classroom teacher selection panel P&C member requested.
- 7. A ticket for Ryde Spectacular has not been received by the Principal. Monique Colman to follow up.
- 8. HHHS has been selected to participate in the Sydney University STEM teacher enrichment program.

## Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes from previous meetings will be available on the new school website. Previous minutes will normally be distributed with notice of upcoming P&C meetings.

The minutes of the 3rd September 2018 P&C meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Proposed: Mitch Kirkman CARRIED

## Business arising from previous minutes

- 1. Thanks expressed to the Principal for ensuring pedestrian gates are open
- 2. Principal to communicate extension class times to the P&C for scheduling of extracurricular activities Wed afternoon will be OK for music tuition
- 3. Principal/President to look at alternate dates for P&C Christmas drinks set for Monday 17 Dec
- 4. President to include notice regarding Employment Opportunities as Personal Care Assistants with ParaQuad NSW to the newsletter Done
- 5. Joanna Craig to liaise and report on consideration of the new 2019 timetable with canteen To be done
- 6. Canteen staff to consider timetabling of helpers: early preparation, leave, return for lunch session
- 7. Timetable changes to be distributed to parents and/or P&C Available on the website and Skoolbag, Secretary to follow up

# Correspondence and Membership

Correspondence In

- 1. NSW P&C Federation: NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy being implemented by the Department of Education and the NSW Ministry of Health. "All school canteens have until December 2019 to meet the Food and Drink Criteria that forms the basis of the Healthy School Canteen Strategy."
- 2. Offer of assistance from Gringos Mexican Cantina, Putney
- 3. From Senator Kristina Keneally regarding Labor commitments to school funding
- 4. Public Liability Certificate of Currency from NSW P&C Federation

#### Correspondence Out

- 1. 11 Sep: From the President to the Principal regarding P&C record of support for air conditioning funding and likely future capacity (for government co-funding application)
- 2. 10 Sep: P&C Newsletter

## Reports

#### **Canteen Report**

Report tabled

#### **Music Report**

No report tabled

- 1. Bedlam at the Bay in Gladesville concert had strings and stage band performing
- 2. New set of Pearl drums for Percussion Ensembles have arrived and were used at the Soiree.

3. Thanks noted to Hunters Hill Primary School P&C for donation of a full drum kit.

#### **Dance Report**

Report tabled

1. Ryde School Spectacular next Monday, 29th October, Sydney Opera House

#### **Uniform Shop Report**

No report tabled

#### **Environment Report**

Report tabled

#### **Executive Report**

- 1. No executive expenditure to report
- 2. One request for panel membership for new English teacher position (at this meeting)

#### **Treasurer's Report**

No report

Acceptance

The committee reports were accepted.

Proposed: Mitch Kirkman CARRIED

#### General Business

- 1. Colour Run Report
  - a. Excellent weather
  - b. Lots of positive feedback
  - c. Total profit \$11,300 from a net income of \$17,080
  - d. Better than broke even on shirts. No need to buy shirts for next year.
  - e. Lower expenditure expected next year
  - f. Plenty of sponsor donations for prizes
  - g. Review meeting to be held
  - h. Thanks to Jamie Hurworth for video
  - i. Thanks to Jacqueline Crompton for photography
  - j. Thanks to Suzanne Kimpton and Robin Butterfield for organising
  - k. Details of sponsors to be passed to Mitch for thank you letters
- 2. Music Soiree was the first full test of the re-set sound systems. Excellent improvement in sound quality achieved by professional sound technician. Similar improvements for Yr12 Graduation recently.
  - a. Question raised regarding student AV club. Discussions underway with Jamie Hurworth and seeking suitable tutor. Plan to run like a P&C music ensembles requiring parent coordinator and with a paid tutor. Notice to be communicated for 2019 student interest.
  - b. Thanks to Mitch Kirkman and Jamie Hurworth for coordinating sound technician with school and for their work
  - c. Await school proposals for equipment upgrades to further improve and utilise funding allocated
- 3. The Principal has submitted a detailed application for additional funding (for completing airconditioning) to the Department based on P&C air conditioning contributions to date. President's statement included. No response as yet.
- 4. LCYO + HHHS orchestral experience
  - a. Lots of interest from local public schools and some HHHS students
  - b. Canteen to be available for catering by volunteer parents on 05 Nov
  - c. Some HHHS hospitality classes will be catering for Concert on 10 Dec
  - d. Call for volunteers to assist. Eg. tables moved in hall, catering for concert, sound and lighting
  - e. Financial support required for catering for rehearsals
  - f. Soft drinks need to be purchased

- g. Lane Cove and Hunters Hill Mayors to be contacted for their presence at the concert
- 5. P&C Drinks
  - a. 17 December for staff and P&C on the Phil Daniels Pavilion verandah
  - b. Mitch Kirkman to organise drinks
  - c. Bring a plate

## Other Business

1. School sign is being tested after a period of no operational

#### Actions

- 1. Carried over: Joanna Craig to liaise and report on consideration of the new 2019 timetable with canteen
- 2. SRC to ascertain costing for recycling proposals
- 3. Principle to raise lack of school bus stops in Lane Cove
- 4. Monique Colman to look into Ryde Spectacular ticket for the Principal
- 5. President to follow up on P&C representative on English teacher selection panel
- 6. Secretary to follow up on handout regarding school timetable for 2019
- 7. President following up on P&C supported Sound and Lighting "Ensemble" for 2019

## **Meeting Close**

The meeting closed at 8:30pm

## **Next Meeting**

• Monday 26th November, 7:00pm (Term 4, Week 7)

## **Upcoming Events**

- HHHS/LCYO Concert, Phil Daniel's Pavilion Monday 10th December, 7pm
- P&C Christmas Drinks on the Balcony Monday 17th December, 7pm