



General Meeting
Wednesday 7th February 2018
held 6:30pm in the TPS Common Room

Present – Stacey O'Brien, Gavin O'Brien, Craig Powell, Emma Harkins, Fabienne Velcek, Rose Gillman, Donna Thors, Ting Rent, Vele Bujaroski, Anna Grimshaw, Ross Emerton, Sarah Dawson, Toulia Kotamanidis, Rebecca Gill

Apologies – Dot Duff, Jak Horne, Paul Boulwood

Meeting officially Opened at 6.34

Welcome by P&C President

Minutes from Previous Meeting – Read

Motion moved Anna / seconded Stacey / carried that minutes reports accepted

Reports:

Principal's Report

Great Start to Year

We have had a great start to the year. Kids seem very happy, staff are over the moon with the selection that we have and kids seem to be loving the new staff.

Bucket Hats

New bucket hats have come in and they look good, they cover the back of the head and ears and can be tightened to suit head size. They have a spot for name so as not to get mixed up. They will be wearing them on playground (no choice) and caps can only be worn to and from school.

School Contributions

There were no voluntary contributions last year and we want to put it back on the table, needs to come through the parent body, it is voluntary but could potentially raise thousands to go towards books, hats, air conditioners etc. Schools which in 2016 set their voluntary contribution at or below the state-wide average are permitted to increase levels to up to \$47 which is the stage average rate. Looking at setting a price per child or family. Some schools are at \$90 per child. Discussions around the table as to what price we should set varied, some spoke about being happy to pay \$47, others spoke about having paid \$50 at other schools in the past. All agreed on \$30 per kid or \$50 per family. Toulia announcing at meeting tomorrow what the amount is and generating a list as to what the money will go towards. Bec moved Donna seconded.

Fundraising Events 2018

With regards to fundraising and allowing families to know further in advance where money will be needed the school, P&C, SRC and Year 6 Farewell committees to each put fundraising events into a calendar that can be distributed.

Facebook Page & Communication

Sarah de-commissioned the old facebook and it is now officially TPS's. Donna, Elicia and Toulia went to a movie making demo to make it more professional. We will do a huge launch. Also in plan is to use e news to post videos so parents get a good understanding of how we teach. Seesaw is in operation now and kids love to show off their work. This year with the apps we will

strongly be showing evidence of their learning, children reaching their goals and teaching children how to make the movies.

E news is going to have capacity for sick notes etc permission notes.

Another school is doing canteen ordering, something we need to think about. Rose was looking at last year with two different companies but charges which are passed onto parents ordering were too expensive.

Rewards Systems

New welfare policy out, we are aligning our policy with the departments. We are not linking the bronze silver and gold awards to a points system this year as those points are often given to children to encourage them to do the right thing and children that are always well behaved seem to get overlooked. It is hard for children with specific behaviour issues, they were getting them for encouragement and therefore some get their gold badges before the kids that are doing the right thing all the time. There will be two awards per fortnight and the overlooked well behaved kids should get their gold by half way through the year with this new system. Would like it to be a valuable and respected thing. There will be other rewards and reward systems. We will be trying to lift the profile for our gold kids. The terrifics system will still in place with 1000 points for their reward. Will be sending out information so parents understand changes.

Treasurers Report:

- P&C Cheque account Balance \$19,637.66
- Canteen Funds \$2,932.36
- Petty Cash \$3.20
- Chaplaincy Grant \$1,233.87
- Volunteer's Grant \$0.00
- Total funds held in P&C Association \$22,573.22

Motion moved Donna / seconded Sarah carried that treasurers reports excepted

ACTION arising from previous General Business:

Everything from last year has been handled and nothing arising

General Business:

Rose

Just over \$2400 profit for the year after the first six months for the canteen. Tally of canteen lunch orders if anyone wants to have a look to see what's been ordered vs what's been sold over the counter. At the end of 2017 there was \$280 worth of stock left chicken fingers etc. The canteen is fully stocked now, and will now start working out what's working with the new healthy canteen. We received \$200 healthy canteen voucher from Health NSW to go towards canteen for 5 star everyday drink products. We also have a bin for bottles and cans for children to contribute back for the school to receive 10c per can/bottle, they can't be crushed though.

Donna

We're registered for the Coles Sports Program, information on their web site. Every \$10 spent we get a voucher back. They can be brought in to the office or put in TPS box at Coles.

Uniforms - We had one of the parents saying girls dresses are smaller than what they should be i.e size 6 looks like size 4. Donna will investigate.

Vele

With regards to the 10c back for cans/bottles can we get a bin at the school and promote for families and community to bring in from home so that we can take once per week. This is something the SRC could do as part of their fundraising efforts.

Bec

Fundraising Calendar - Have started on the P&C fundraising calendar for 2018. Have set the dates for Easter Raffle/Meal Deal, Mothers Day/Fathers Day, sports carnivals etc. Thinking we should have 1 "fun" fundraising activity per term and would like to look at a disco in term 2, colour run was great would like to run with that again and looking at the water slide again for end of year picnic. Also looking at a pie drive (leading up to winter). Need to work out with SRC and Year 6 committee who's doing what fundraisers this year.

Fundraising Co-ordinators - Calendar to also be useful with regards to co-ordinator's this year and needs to be in place for the AGM next month. Fundraising events to be allocated between several co-ordinators this year so as not to burden one person too much.

Bunnings - Looking at the Bunnings BBQ at Bellambi especially as we didn't get one last year. Bec to email Bellambi Bunnings explaining our situation with small school and small volunteer base and hopefully will be allocated a date.

Mothers Day stall – Bec will start ordering before AGM so that we can get decent presents before they run out. Donna and Bec will look at making up succulent pots like Bec did two years ago.

Need 4 more kids to get an extra teacher, today was the cut off where we could just employ another teacher. Now we need to have the new enrolments for 5 days before we can employ a new teacher.

Sarah

Schoolbuy.com.au is a website that if we register with and promote we will receive a commission on purchases. It is similar to dinkleboo, the difference is when going through this web site you can purchase through many other web sites and receive commission on all purchases. If everyone can have a look at website and provide their thoughts for next meeting.

Next meeting is our Annual General Meeting to be held Wednesday 7th March 2018 where all positions will be declared vacant and we will vote on new office bearers. Positions include:

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Secretary

Canteen Co-ordinator

Fundraising Committee (different from last year, group of several needed to lessen the burden)

Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

Meeting Closed – 7.24 pm

NEXT MEETING: AGM Wednesday 7th March 2018 6.30pm

ALL WELCOME