

Brooklyn Public School P&C Association Meeting

Wednesday 3 August 2016 from 6.30pm

Minutes

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Attending: Ingrid Segovia, Mark Agnew, Morven Cameron, Diana Aitken, Deb Aselford

Apologies: Alan Barrett, Katrina Roberts

1. Opening & Welcome
2. Adoption of minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 1 June 2016
Moved: Deb Aselford
Seconded: Mark Agnew
Amendments: Nil
3. Business arising from previous minutes

Subject	Action	Who	Status
Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA)	Tenders closed on Friday 29 July Start date to be advised.	Principal	Open
CAP Activities	Invoices raised to be distributed to families. Completion of inventory is ongoing.	Ingrid and Mark	Open
Bathrooms/Bubblers	Quote being obtained for the relocation of the bubblers.	Principal	Closed
By-Laws	Contact P&C Federation regarding updating our By-Laws	Ingrid	Open
Future Fundraising committee to investigate additional options for fundraising, including the possibility of annual levy per child or per family.	A \$25 P&C levy will be included in the Semester 2 school fees invoice. Ingrid will draft a letter to parents to accompany the fees which will include how the P&C funds are spent.	School Ingrid	Closed
P&C Event Calendar	Calendars are printed Art work is being chosen and binding planned. Will be distributed with the Semester 2 Fees.	Jessica Rayner	Closed
Letter to Hornsby Council regarding road safety on Brooklyn Road *omitted from the agenda	Letter sent.	Morven/Ingrid	Closed

4. President's Report

This year among the goals that the P&C has set for the year is to help build the schools community relationship.

Working with Hornsby Council to celebrate Schools Tree Day was a success. Thank you Diana for making time for the children and school to participate in this annual event. Let's keep it in our calendar.

The art show will be a great opportunity for parents to come and not only see what wonderful art works the children have made.

It is also an opportunity for the community to see how school education is changing and how it is being applied locally.

We gave Jenny Sistrom our well wishes and provided an opportunity for the community to wish her well. She has been a part of this community for many years and it was great to see both current and previous students and families coming along.

The school is the hub of our community and it is important for parents to continue feeling that they are actively participating in their child's school life and lifelong learning.

The first of the Brooklyn Master Plan - Community Reference Group Meetings will be held this month. I have the privilege of representing the school and students. I will be reporting back through the P&C and working towards having the children's voice heard about the future of Brooklyn.

5. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report

1-Aug-16

Category	Cheque Account - Year to Date		
	Income	Expense	Balance
BPS	\$26.00	-\$1,146.94	-\$1,120.94
CAP	\$2,595.00	-\$1,000.00	\$1,595.00
Wakakirri	\$2,720.00	-\$900.00	\$1,820.00
Fundraising	\$4,260.25	-\$1,068.66	\$3,191.59
Interest	\$4.49	\$0.00	\$4.49
Sundry	\$1,379.00	-\$1,624.30	-\$245.30
Uniforms	\$4,336.00	-\$2,894.87	\$1,441.13
	<u>\$15,320.74</u>	<u>-\$8,634.77</u>	<u>\$6,685.97</u>
Cheque Account Balance 01/01/2016	\$16,512.75		
Funds movement YTD	\$6,685.97		
Cheque Account Balance	<u>\$23,198.72</u>		
Savings Account Balance 01/01/2016	\$10,515.58		
Interest	\$85.64		
Savings Account Balance	<u>\$10,601.22</u>		
Total Funds In both Accounts	<u>\$33,799.94</u>		

Key points for Jul-16

Fundraising efforts banked:

Election day takings	2,065
Mothers Day Raffle	413
Pub Raffle	248
End of Term 2 Assembly Raffle	143

- CAP Term 2 band fees due -invoices to be sent at next band session
- CAP Term 3 band fee invoices to be raised and sent in the coming weeks
- Balance of Wakakirri due - reminder to be sent

6. Correspondence
Nil

7. Principal's Report

Term 3 already and time marches on!! We have certainly got off to a flying start and many great programs have been organised for the term.

We welcome Mrs Michelle Kabalan to our staff who will be teaching the 3/4 class for Terms 3 and 4 while Mrs Jennifer Sistrom is on leave. Mrs Kabalan has quickly become part of the team and sharing her passion and enthusiasm for education.

We are getting closer to the COLA being constructed as tenders for the work closed last week. A decision will be made in the next two weeks as to which company will be responsible for its construction and work may commence later in the term.

This week is Education Week and we are very pleased to have the opportunity to invite families and friends to come in and see the great things that are going on in our classrooms. It is so important that the community gains an insight into how education is evolving and how they can support children to achieve their best and be well prepared for the challenges that face us all in this 21st century. This is also the time to celebrate the great work that teachers are doing day in and day out to maximise the learning potential of all students in their care. I am so proud to part of this dynamic team of teachers who are committed to delivering the highest quality teaching.

Some teachers from the school will be attending an exciting conference on Saturday 20 August. The *iOnTheFuture4* conference will be held at Turrumurra Nth Public School and will include a number of keynote speakers from overseas. A special evening for parents has been organised at which two of the speakers will share their thoughts and expertise in the area of educating our children for the future. Expressions of interest to be forwarded to the school.

This term, all students are participating in a program called Project Based Learning which is designed to promote creativity and innovation. The students have been given the task of designing and making arcade type games put of cardboard boxes. The games will be exhibited at the Spring Fair at the end of the term. The students are very excited and we look forward to seeing the end products but more importantly, supporting them as they persist with plans that may or may not work the first time and need to go back to the drawing board!

We are also running a K-6 Public Speaking program this term which will involve all students in writing a speech and presenting it to their peers and teachers. One speaker from each year will be presenting their speech at the end of term assembly. This is a great program which supports the development of speaking and listening skills which are critical for learning.

The school grounds continue to evolve and we thank the P&C and local council members for helping us with Schools Tree Planting Day last week. The area at the front of the school is now covered with a great selection of grasses and shrubs. In response to the tree assessment that was carried out earlier in the year, some pruning and removal of trees is due to go ahead in the next few weeks.

We look forward to more great learning opportunities this term as we celebrate Book Week in Week 6, send our choir off to the Opera House, participate in Wakakirri, go to the Writers' festival, welcome our new kindies at the Kindergarten orientation morning and much more!!!

Diana Aitken

8. Uniform Shop Report – no report
9. Fundraising Committee Report – see above information in the Treasurer's Report
10. Grounds Committee Report – see information included in the President's Report
11. Creative Arts Program (CAP) Report – no report
12. Hawkesbury River Child Care (HRCC) Report – no report

- a. P&C President, HRCC and School Principal met to discuss the lease fees for the building and discussed options. HRCC were to undertake further review and liaise with the Department of Education.

13. Other business

The school have received a tree report and management plan for trees in the school grounds.

Safety - incidents on new playground to date. No major incidents, need to consider shade once the COLA is constructed.

Application for Oxfam Trailwalker Event submitted.

14. Close of business & next meeting date - Wednesday 7 September at 6.30pm