Killara Primary School P&C Meeting
23 July 2014
Meeting Minutes

Meeting opened: Dimity McCredie opened the Parents and Citizens (P&C) meeting at 7.30 pm on 23 July 2014 in the KPS Library.

Chairperson: Dimity McCredie

In attendance: Unity Taylor-Hill (Principal), Dimity McCredie, Stella Sung, Claire Moore, Carolyn Sinclair, Melissa Lynch-Hill, Alan Gardiner, Ashley King, Kenneth Ng, Nina Kovach, Violetta Sutherland, Nikki Napier, Bronwyn Elder.

Apologies: Sandeep Rao, Vanessa Mayhew.

Minutes from: Minutes from meeting of 25th June 2014, were accepted as true and correct.

Correspondence In/Out: Nothing of significance to report.

President Report:
(Vanessa Mayhew and Dimity McCredie)
Refer to attachment 1 for President’s report

Principal’s Report:
(Unity Taylor-Hill)
Refer to attachment 2 for Principal’s report

Treasurer Report: (Stella Stung)
Refer to attachment 3 for Treasurer’s Report

General Matters:
Update on Northern District Council situation by Alan Gardiner -
The Administrator has now made the new ‘Constitution for the Federation’ available.
An election of the new P&C Federation Board will be held later in the year.
Insurance and P&C Affiliation fees, payable to the Federation, are due by the end of July. There were questions raised whether insurance renewal must be paid through the Federation, or whether we can seek other alternative companies for Public Liability Insurance. In that case it may be an option to pay Affiliation fees only to the Federation. P&C to request information from the Federation regarding the split between Affiliation and Insurance fees. Given the historical difficulty obtaining information from the Federation, a motion was passed to authorise the P&C to pay the Affiliation fee and the Insurance renewal fee of up to $1000 in the case that we are not able to get clarity about the fees.
Continuing community consultation for the use of the UTS Lindfield site acquired by DEC (ie, UTS buildings only). Alan to report back once use for the site is determined.

Solar Panel update – The project completion report for the 2012 funded works (transforming overflow car park into green play space) was considered and approved for signing. It will be submitted this week. Upon receipt, the DEC will release the funds to KPS to commence installation of Solar Panels. The project must be completed by the end of March 2015. The P&C is awaiting evaluation response from John Ritson regarding the quotes.
Unity will contact other schools in the area, seeking supplier recommendations, based on their experience. Unity to report back to the P&C at the next P&C meeting.

The P&C, as a requirement, will report on the progress of this installation to ensure that the money is applied correctly. There was no additional update from John Ritson this Meeting, though from the previous minutes, John has agreed to keep an eye on the electricity buy back price and inform the P&C if a more financially opportune time to install arises.

Proposal to Local Council to seek funds for the footpath at the front of the School

Nina Kovach reported back that KPS is now on the Council ‘Footpath List’, which prioritises Council funded footpath upgrades in the Ku-ring-gai area. Based on our position on this list, the work is scheduled for 2019 – 2020. Nina to request that Council re-rate our score in order to reprioritise our footpath.

Spell-a-Thon. The spell-a-thon was held 25 June 2014 and raised over $12k, which will be used to buy iPads and docking stations for classrooms. Thank-you to Melissa Lynch-Hill for her donation of the prizes for those children who raised over $50, and also for the Sausage Sizzle awarded to 2 classes.

Fund raising Items and Sponsorship initiatives. No further update.

Gordon Golf Course Planning Update. No further update

Mural Proposal The P&C Presidents received a quote from Rodney Monk. Of the 2 options (Amanda Ford and Rodney Monk), the P&C voted and moved to accept Rodney’s quote. The P&C Presidents to contact Rodney about a proposed date of commencement.

Maintenance Day. A new date for Maintenance Day is still to be confirmed, pending the confirmation of the removal of several trees from the school grounds. Unity to meet with the DEC on Friday 25th July for an update as to when the trees will be removed. The school has collected $12,924 for P&C maintenance works as part of the P&C contribution.

P&C Website Proposal. No further update

Fathers’ Day Breakfast. Scheduled for 5th September. Sandeep to meet with Killara Golf Club about the possibility of a Fathers’ social golf afternoon on Thursday 4th September. Sandeep to report back next meeting

Meeting closed: Dimity McCredie closed the meeting, 8.40 pm in the library.

Next P&C meeting: 27th August 2014

Meeting minutes distribution: To be posted on Killara PS website.