Killara Primary School P&C Meeting
25 June 2014
Meeting Minutes

Meeting opened: Dimity McCredie opened the Parents and Citizens (P&C) meeting at 7.30 pm on 25 June 2014 in the KPS Library.

Chairperson: Vanessa Mayhew / Dimity McCredie

In attendance: Unity Taylor-Hill (Principal), Vanessa Mayhew, Dimity McCredie, Stella Sung, Claire Moore, Carolyn Sinclair, Sandeep Rao, Alan Gardiner, Ashley King, Kenneth Ng, Nina Kovach.

Apologies: Violetta Sutherland, Nikki Napier.

Minutes from: Minutes from meeting of 21st May 2014, were accepted as true and correct.

Correspondence In/Out: Nothing of significance to report.

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

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

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

General Matters: Update on Northern District Council situation by Alan Gardiner -
Alan Gardiner appointed as Treasure of the Regional P&C.
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.
An Administrator has now been appointed by the Minister for Education. The Administrator will take over the operation of the Federation and oversee the election of a new governing council under a new electoral process (to be conducted later this year, probably term 4). From last minutes, note that delegates for this process will be elected from 16 geographical electorates, with Sydney being covered by 7 electorates (minority with respect to voting for the new state P&C executive council).
Northern Beaches area update – This area is overwhelmed with capacity issues. Manly West to be rebuilt and Manly Village School will have it’s catchment boundary reduced.
Alan also reported on a trial at Narraweena school where a particular type of software is used on site which disables the use of personal ‘student’ devices while on school grounds.

Solar Panel update – Following the signing of the Funding Agreement, the project must be completed by the end of March 2015. Quotes have now been received from 2 DEC preferred suppliers. Quotes will now be evaluated with assistance from John Ritson.
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
The P&C Presidents followed up with Caileen Cachia regarding this proposal. The response from Council was that no funding was available. The cost of the project is expected to be approximately $3k, if the P&C was to entirely fund this project itself.
However, it was discussed that a ‘Footpath List’ may exists with Council, which prioritises Council funded footpath upgrades in the Ku-ring-gai area. Nina Kovach to follow up with a contact at the Council regarding the criteria required to have our footpath placed on this list. The P&C continues to have safety concerns of the condition of the nature strip.

Spell-a-Thon. The spell-a-thon was held 25 June 2014. The money raised from this event will be used to buy iPads and docking stations for classrooms. An update from our organisers will be given at the next meeting, once all money has been collected.

Uniform Shelving and Fan (with wall bracket). Work is now complete.

Fund raising Items and Sponsorship initiatives. The Trivia Night fund raising event has been set for 25 October 2015. The year 3 parents are working together with the P&C on the development of this event. In particular, Caileen Cachia, Chris Hooton and Bronwyn Edler together with Sandeep Rao are actively seeking donations and sponsorships.

Gordon Golf Course Planning Update. At it’s meeting on the 11 June 2014, the Council resolved to re-commence the master planning process for Gordon Golf Course with a view to making it a Regional Park. The P&C and the school will keep an eye on the future progress of this plan.

Mural Proposal. Last meeting three options were presented to the P&C;
- Amanda Ford Griffith Mural,
- Ceramic Mural,
- Rodney Monk Mural.
Amanda Ford Griffith Mural – Quote $1600 + sketching fee (on the KK wall, facing Ridgeland Rd). The kids would have involvement in the design chosen. Due to the expense of the Ceramic Mural, and this has been eliminated from the options. The P&C Presidents are waiting on a call back from Rodney Monk with regards to receiving a quote.

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 during July school holidays. Kenneth Ng provided several photos of suggested maintenance day work requirements around the school. After further consultation with Unity and in conjunction with Kenneth’s suggestions, a list will be developed of works required on this day.

It was also agreed that an optional $25 Maintenance Fee would also be included on the Term 3 Invoice.

**P&C Website Proposal**. The new registered web address will be kpspnc.com.au. It is still in the development stage where there is nothing viewable at the moment but in term 3 there will be advancement. Sandeep Rao is working with Matt on defining the structure of the website, to ensure that we are able to advertise our sponsors effectively. An update will be provided at the next P&C meeting.

Once implemented, the P&C believe that an appointed website administrator will be necessary to ensure the website is kept up-to-date.

**Killara Kids Renovation Proposal**. With an expected increase in future school enrolments, Nina Kovach, on behalf of the KK Committee, put forward a renovation proposal of the current KK building. Current KK capacity is 60 but there is a requirement to increase capacity to 75. The proposal is to build a second storey on the KK building, with disability access (a lift), to be used by KK during before and after care hours, but with general school access during school hours. The initial quote received was $300-350k, pending a Building inspection and Structural Engineering report.

There is the possibility of a Community Grant, as part of the Community Partnership Program. This submission is due on the 18th July, with the outcome published in February 2015, though it is unclear at this stage what the Grant contribution may be. KK has also requested a P&C contribution to this renovation. The P&C voted, with unanimous agreement that the P&C will make a contribution, with the value to be determined at a later date.

Meeting closed: Dimity McCredie closed the meeting, 9.20 pm in the library.

Next P&C meeting: 23rd July 2014

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