

Bellingen High School P&C

Minutes of General Meeting

Monday February 10th 2020

MEETING OPENED

6:05pm

PRESENT

Kim Craw, Anya Dunn, Sandra Ruming, Jo Hodgson, Rachael Case, Katherine Sutherland, Kristy Glyde, Tim Laverty, Teresa Carapeto, David Neville, Milo Bowd.

APOLOGIES

Kim Dixon, Katherine Lovell, Raelene Carey

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

To be read, approved and seconded at next meeting.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING

- Last meeting no minutes were taken at the Federal Hotel gathering. There was discussion via email however regarding financial assistance for Mali Tipping to represent the school in a State Debating Camp early December 2019. It was agreed to assist to the amount of \$400.

TREASURERS REPORT

- Current Balance of \$9955.02.
- Payment to Mali Tipping still outstanding. Claire in office to be approached to organise invoice.

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- HSC results were very good. Bellingen High School presented the highest results on the Mid North Coast. West Port Macquarie High School also presented high results.
- There are currently 604 students enrolled in Bellingen High School.
- Staff changes have included the employment of new teaching staff – Siana Harper, Cheryl Hook, Chad Grant and Monica Green (Maths). Tom Gyenes has taken a curriculum-based position and will be away for at least 12 months subject to renewal.
- Vickie Smart has been offered a contract for Canteen Manager.
- Naomie Bowen is currently taking the HSIE classes.
- New School Sign opposite Norco's Store– feedback sought.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Attention to maintenance for boys and girls toilets has been requested. Toilet doors required for the boys toilets to ensure privacy. Toilet doors for girl's showers to ensure privacy. Sanitary bins hygiene maintenance urgently required. Boys toilets urinal odour excessive and therefore requires attention. Soap is required in both the boys and girls toilets.
- Request for a COLA type covering over the basketball courts for shade and an optional area for meetings. To ensure physical exercise and sporting activity can continue throughout wet weather and hot weather. To look at Bellingen Shire Council Community Grants for funding.

- Rachael Case has presented the idea of a GYM Club in the mornings on school grounds. Support from Bello Youth Hub including funding is possible. A qualified gym instructor can be sourced and funded.
- David Neville reported on Welcome Week for Year 7. Looking for feedback on the program. Facebook notifications and School website information to be monitored.
- There is a fantastic new school sign opposite the Norco store.
- Fundraising ideas – There is the school musical scheduled for the end of June, there is the Clapper Awards in Term 4, which is similar to a short film festival. To look at Bunnings BBQ, to confirm dates for 2021 Bellingen Markets bucket donation booking, idea for IGA street stall with donated items and Camp Creative Community Grants. Anya put forward the idea of a mini school musical in school time.
- David Neville advised Mali Tipping would be talking in the next P&C Meeting reporting on her event funded by the P&C.
- David Neville has put forward a request for specialist sound equipment to be funded by the P&C. To look at \$1500 to assist with the school musical and in future years.
- Uniform discussion, parents have requested a colour-coded option becoming available, as the existing uniform does not suit all body types. Parents have expressed great concern for students to be not included in school events subject to uniform requirements. Sandra Ruming to follow up with Lowes regarding school shorts. Tim Lavery highlighted the school uniform represents the ideal environment for a sense of belonging and community. School uniform adds to the footprint of the school and nurtures the idea of togetherness, additionally adding to the safety requirements of the school. Rachael Case highlighted introducing different pieces of uniform will benefit students by contribution to the ability of self-expression in the teenage years.
- Next **P&C Meeting** set to be on Monday 9th March 2020 at 6pm and will include the AGM.

A big thank you to all those who attended!

MEETING CLOSED

7:10pm