Bellingen High School P & C Association

Minutes

Monday 9th September 2024 6pm Bellingen High School Staff Common Room

Gumbaynggirr Country

Our Parents and Citizens Association aims to improve the academic, social and emotional outcomes of students regardless of a student's ability, race, gender, religion or socio- economic status.

Attendees: Rachael Case (Vice Pres), Milo Bowd (Chair, Vice Pres), Graziella Reeson and Mel Tyas, Caroline Thomas, Jaimie Garson

Apologies: Kathryn Sutherland, Michelle Elliot, Kathleen Hannah, Kim Childs, Kristy Holding

1. Acknowledgement of Country (Mel Tyas)

Mel suggested a meaningful way to do this by sharing a story about connecting to country.

2. Previous Minutes (Chair)

Approval of Minutes

Adopted by Milo Bowd seconded by Jaimie Garson

Business Arising from Previous Minutes

- Still after nominations for President and Secretary eligible candidates are paid up 2024 members of the BHS P & C
- Need more P&C members who are keen to do training for interview panels ACTION: email bellingenhighpc@gmail.com to be sent training info
- Write to Minister for Education to advocate for better funding to public schools in response to significant education budget cuts ACTION: Mel Tyas
- BHS Markets Fundraiser (see below)
- ACTION: Michelle was going to follow up with Jon Winfer re getting updated Representative Sports Uniforms and team waterbottles.
- ACTION: Michelle to remind PE teachers to take BHS Shade shelters to sporting events.
- ACTION: Michelle is yet to provide digital copy to P & C of BHS draft **Summary of Values** requesting P&C in order to give feedback.

3. Reports

3.1 Principal's Report

No representative from the school in attendance

3.2 Financial Report (Milo Bowd)

Balance \$6571.78

3.3 Correspondence (Rachael Case)

- P & C Federation email newsletter
- ACNC email newsletter
- Bellingen Council Grants / Funding opportunities

4. PRIORITY BUSINESS (Milo)

4.1 Advisory / Information

- Milo was part of SLSO interview panel

- Rachael promoted BHS Canteen job vacancy on Facebook at request of BHS Admin manager.

4.2 Events / Relationship Building

- Rachael & Graziella attended Year 6 to 7 transition evening. Well presented

and helpful information in the welcome booklet on staff and school.

4.3 Fundraising

- BHS Markets Fundraiser. Need more volunteers!

- ACTIONS:
 - everyone to promote to parents via word of mouth
 - Rachael / Jaimie will follow up with Magda for mentor students
 - Milo will follow up with students through her kids
 - Still to decide if we have a cake stall Jaimie to get back to P&C
 - Rachael / Milo get our sons to help with collecting marquees, buckets and tables on Friday afternoon

5. Other Business

- Milo raised that no sports awards have been given out for the year ie. swimming, athletics, cross country.

ACTION: Can the P & C get some feedback on this from the school.

- Several parents raised that there is no practice organised for school rep sport teams (except female futsal?).

ACTION: Can the P & C get some feedback on this from the school.

- Jaimie chased up quotes for water bottles and carriers for team sports.

ACTION: P & C would like to know if the school has these or will purchase them?

6. CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

Meeting closed at 6:35pm.

Next meeting Monday 14th October 6pm, Bellingen High Staffroom