

MINUTES

24th May 2016

PRESENT: Gregor Wild, Xianping Yang, Jenny Hart, Valerie Cavill, Fiona Geddes, Justine Oxley, Atakelty Hailie, Jacqueline Shine-Rossi, Susan Farrant, Bill Marchbank, Lyn Louer, Adam Pengelly, Kim Pedler, Brian Swain

APOLOGIES: Monica Creek, Mr Hill, Inger Thompson, Elfirda Rossi, Amber Rossi, Nick Emeljanow, Sue Gilchrist, Stephen Cairns

GUEST: Rod Van Gass

Meeting Commenced @ 7.30pm

1. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOVED Joy SECONDED Gregor
Matters arising – please see General Business

2. CORRESPONDENCE

2.1. IN

2.1.1. Email from parent inquiring about possibility of long pants for girls' uniform.

2.2. OUT

3. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT presented by Adam Pengelly

3.1. Dianne Firkin, the schools Business Manager has put through P&C contributions for banking.

3.2. School submissions for funding of subject projects submitted.

3.3. Eight different submissions for funding

3.3.1. Science – microscopes for science demountables

3.3.2. iCentre – outdoor games and creative computer hardware

3.3.3. Year 9 – Helping Hands project

3.3.4. Music – additional ensemble conductors and video editing software

3.3.5. Student Services – student counsel leadership camp

3.3.6. Arts – materials for outdoor art project

3.3.7. Total \$27,990

3.3.8. Staffing for uniform shop 0.4 staff – similar amount as last year

3.3.9. Staffing for extended library opening hours till 6pm Monday – Thursday. 0.3 staff (this will re-direct funding from school psychologist that the school will now pay for). This is \$4000 more than school psychologist, however is within P&C ability to do.

3.3.10. MOTION – approve submissions from school \$85,070 (total of school requests, library staffing hours and uniform staff salary)

Moved – Joy Seconded – Susan Carried

3.4. IPS review done (very positive), new website (P&C information needed for website and minutes for Compass. Internet website is focused on providing information and attracting potential students, while Compass is focused providing information to current students and parent community), yr 11 & 12 exams completed, stage 2 build ongoing (opening 2019).

- 3.5. City Beach High School – not going ahead in time frame. Shenton College is not ‘bursting at the seams’ despite media comments. Planning has been ongoing to reflect the population needs of the community and buildings have been built or developed accordingly.
4. SCHOOL BOARD REPORT presented by Bill Marchbank
- 4.1. IPS review reps meeting with board members. Feedback was positive from reviewers. Reviewers were looking at evaluation processes that the school carries out to assess how the school is doing and able to move forward to maintain improvements. Report will come from reviewers in about 4 weeks which will be communicated to the school community.
- 4.2. Library learning centre has increased opening hours Monday to Thursday till 6.00pm.
- 4.3. Shenton College annual report uploaded on website.
- 4.4. Stage 2 (\$49 million) – Architects are well skilled in delivery of well-designed schools. Road pressure in surrounding areas needs to be under review to see how to manage current traffic problems. Vehicle access onto school site to be looked at as well as movement of vehicles within school site to ensure safety of students, staff and parents. School community to be mindful to keep it on agenda and potentially write letter to raise some concerns with the school and include other stakeholders (Nedlands council, Transperth)
- 4.5. Board approved attendance of Principal at Singapore Conference later in the year.
5. TREASURER’S REPORT presented by Joy
- 5.1. Money coming in from contributions
- 5.2. MOTION – to approve budget (changes to state reps increase, sustainable schools membership, library support, uniform shop wages increase) – will be emailed when finalised.
Moved – Gregor Seconded – Valerie
Carried
6. FOMS REPORT Remove from agenda
7. GENERAL BUSINESS
- 7.1. Meetings for remainder of the year - week 3 Term 3 (2nd August) and week 3 of Term 4 (25th October). Secretary to notify school so that they can be added to the calendar – DONE.
- 7.2. Water saver Idea – Watercorp did audits in 2014 on not for profit organisations with idea to do PR to fix water problems and then this all fell through. Shenton was on the list and showed excess use of water at Shenton. Recent audit shows that there is significant water wastage – obvious things such as flow rate for hand washing. Flow rate can be reduced with a retro fitting to the current taps. Benefit to the school is a saving of 2.5 million litres per year (~\$8500). \$1400 approx. for hardware. Some taps do need to be done by a plumber. Remaining taps can be done by maintenance staff which could be carried out by the Fathering Project. Potential to run fundraiser in the future to sell water saver kits through the school.
Visitor, Rod Van Gass is the owner of FlowLess which is a supplier of the aerators.
ACTION – 100 taps to be changed by parents. \$1400 is cost of hardware which P&C will pay.
Dianne Firkin to be notified of approval. Nick and Bill to organise Fathering Project once hardware has been delivered. Additional taps requiring plumber fitting will be sourced at a later date.
- 7.3. Sustainable Shop Project – final details clarified with annual payment which will begin at beginning of financial year. P&C will pay for site which allows parents to post any second hand school items

for free. \$1450 annual fee with additional \$199 once off set up fee. Uniform shop is keen to get alongside site for new uniforms – still under discussion by the school. Wide spread communication needed to ensure this is taken up by the students and parent body.

- 7.4. Invitation to Cat, the chaplain, to talk at next meeting. {At first I thought Cat was some abbreviation.]
- 7.5. Fathering Project – move beyond concept level needed. Water project could be the project to get it up and running.
- 7.6. Uniform restrictions – inquiry by parent regarding girl's uniform and desire to wear tracksuit pants. Track suit pants not permitted but leggings to ankle or thick stockings in school colours (dark colours) [change position of words] can be worn with skirt or dress over top. Winter trousers for girls available. Discussion regarding girl's uniform and some adjustments in future that would be good to be made. Uniform regularly reviewed and suggestions for next review will be presented to the board.
- 7.7. Lighting project – audit done by P&C members. Replacing lights with LED will result in savings for the school. Project is moving forward as a money saver for the school which pays the difference of the utility bill. Fundraiser idea for parents to buy a tube for the school. Some lights need electrician however others can be done by parents on a busy bee.
- 7.8. Brian raised request for someone to volunteer to write about projects being undertaken by the P&C such as the bike station, water saving and library staffing. This would be for publications such as the Highlights newsletter, the schools Facebook page and potentially articles accepted into the local papers. Justine Oxley offered assistance in this matter and Brian will liaise with her in the near future.
- 7.9. School Assistance Policy draft – re-wording of opening statement to reflect that submission is for competitive nature of representation at national and international level, added to criteria. Accepted by committee. To be communicated to principal and school community.
MOTION – to accept draft policy for P&C assistance
Moved – Joy Seconded – Gregor

Meeting Closed – 9.45pm

Next Meeting Week 3 Term 3 - Tuesday 2nd August at 7.30pm.
To be held in the school library