



## MEETING MINUTES

8 August 2019

**PRESENT:** Adrian Barich, Ann Choong, Ann Conlon, Gary Green, Danielle Higgs, Hazel Hodgkins, Jenny Hart, Nick Emeljanow, Philippa Freegard, Mike Morgan, Vera Dedijer, Viv Blycha, Wisam Al-Bayal

**APOLOGIES:** Elizabeth Moore, Justine Oxley, Lyn Louer, Lina Al-Bayati

Meeting Commenced @ 7.05pm

1. **INTRODUCTORY REMARKS** Adrian welcomed the P&C.

2. **ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

- 2.1. Danielle stated there had been a slight amendment within Section 6.3 of the May minutes to provide better clarity.
- 2.2. Updated minutes accepted Nick Emeljanow; Seconded Philippa Freegard; Minutes confirmed.

3. **BUSINESS ARISING**

- 3.1. Michael reported back on the school cap action. Students are able to wear any hat they like at school. Peaked caps had been offered in the past but haven't been a popular item. Action closed.

4. **MIDDLE SCHOOL CLUBS PRESENTATION**

Gary Green, Head of Learning Community provided a presentation on Middle School clubs. Gary stated the clubs (currently 20 of them catering to 200+ students) are trying to build strengths in Middle School beyond academic learning with a focus on the key Shenton College values of Care, Curiosity and Collaboration. The following provides a summary of Gary's presentation:

- *Care/connectedness:* Every child needs opportunities to find their voice; clubs allows our students to care about something/someone; proximity around a common purpose builds connectedness and a sense of belonging; we want our students to care for our common humanity.
- *Curiosity:* half of the clubs are student generated.
- *Collaboration/Connectedness:* clubs are built around cooperation and collaboration.

There are currently 20 clubs, with 150-250 students attending per week.



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Gary went into detail about the Shenton Service related clubs. Activities have both a local and international focus. Some examples include prosthetic limbs for land mine victims, solar lights and water filters.

Gary thanked the P&C for providing funding for the clubs. Mike added the clubs were also having a positive impact on the teaching staff.

Adrian asked what the Diversity Club involved? Gary stated it related to the "Rainbow Room", which is a meeting space for students that identify as LGBTQ, but all students are welcome.

Nick started that in 2018 \$23,000 was provided towards clubs funding. In 2019 \$10,000 has been provided to date and \$8,000 allocated for kids at risk. Mike stated that funding for clubs creates growth and endorses the values of Shenton. Nick stated that there is opportunity for Gary to get more funding from the P&C if it was felt that Clubs needed more support.

### 5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1. **IN** – Several letters were received, including an offer for Canteen and Uniform Shop Insurance, which isn't relevant to Shenton College. In addition to a letter regarding campus student accommodation, which was forwarded to Mike.

5.2. **OUT** – None

### 6. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT presented by Mike Morgan. A summary is provided below. For a full report refer to the attachment.

6.1. Department of Education is redirecting funding from students that have English as a second language towards Aboriginal students. At Shenton College this will result in 30 students (out of 60 students) losing funding.

6.2. Naplan – the College is still awaiting results.

6.3. Bob Hawke Secondary College – the new build is progressing. It is expected to result in a reduction of next year's Year 7 cohort to 350 from 470 in 2019.

6.4. STEM – Shenton College has been recognised as a lead school, so has been asked to support three other Secondary Schools.

6.5. Shenton College has entered into two partnerships with Curtin and ECU regarding early entry programs.

6.6. Two Year 12 Shenton students won University scholarships. (Tuckwell and Fogarty scholarships)



- 6.7. Shenton College did well in an international mathematics competition in South Africa, taking out several prizes.
- 6.8. Paul Dillion presentation on the risk of drugs was worthwhile. A second session will be arranged.
- 6.9. Year 12 student leaders are mentoring Year 7 and 8 student leaders. This has resulted in great leadership in the Middle School, especially in relation to NAIDOC activities.
- 6.10. Teachers also doing well with one Maths teacher a finalist for Beginner Teacher Award
- 6.11. Mike also mentioned that he may approach the P&C later this term/year to send out a note to parents about misuse of parking privileges, as parking/kiss and drive is proving a constant challenge.

**7. SCHOOL BOARD REPORT** presented by Jenny Hart:

Jenny reported we were in mid Shenton Board elections. There are 12 people nominated for 2 positions. Nick stated based on the biographies it is an outstanding group of people. There will also be four community appointments following the election to compliment the Board skill set.

**8. P&C PRESIDENT'S REPORT** Adrian stated Meredith Edington had been appointed to the Alumni position at 0.8FTE. This position's main responsibilities will be the Alumni project and school publications. Adrian stated Meredith will attend the next P&C meeting to provide an update.

Shenton Quarter have invited Shenton College students input into naming a "Lane" in the development. Mike stated this has gone out to get student's feedback.

**9. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Presented by Nick Emeljanow; Accepted by Jenny Hart; Seconded by Wisam Al-Biyal; Report confirmed.

**9.1. See attached treasurers report with highlights below:**

Nick stated there wasn't much to report because there had not been much P&C expenditure since the last meeting. There is additional \$55,000 funding available. Mike stated it may be good for the P&C to allocate this towards some big and regular initiatives; e.g. towards the School Psychologist or the Alumni resource. Nick stated the Auditors recommended a management plan over a number of years to provide certainty to the School regarding funding. Nick will report back on this.

Nick stated the P&C contributions were approximately \$250,000 in 2019.



Thank you notes were received from Ashton and Quinn, two students that received P&C funding.

- 9.2. **College Funding requests** – none tabled
- 9.3. **Audit**

Nick stated the audit was 80% complete, with a view to complete by the end of August 2019.

**10. FRIENDS OF MUSIC SHENTON** - No report.

Adrian stated there is a Quiz Night this Term and encouraged P&C members to attend.

**11. FRIENDS OF SHENTON ALUMNI**

Refer to Section 8.

**12. GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 12.1. **Road safety update** – Mike stated that through working with Nedlands Council, the whole length of Stubbs Terrace adjacent to the school is now a drop off zone.
- 12.2. **Uniform** – is it okay for students to wear non-School uniform raincoats? Mike stated it isn't Shenton policy but would be acceptable if it was a rainy day. He prevails upon people, both students and teachers, to be rational.
- 12.3. **Constitution Update** - Nick stated WACSSO has issued the need to review the P&C Constitution. It needs to be reviewed by the end of the 2019 and ratified at a General Meeting. Refer to attachment for more details. Next steps – Constitution will be sent out for feedback; Exec will review any feedback received; next general meeting (October 2019) for sign off. Nick will drive the review.
- 12.4. **Facebook** – Nick tabled the idea of advertising of P&C Meetings and initiatives by Facebook. Mike suggested trialling using existing School communications channels, e.g., in the Highlights newsletter once a term. Adrian to discuss with Justine regarding School communications channel to promote P&C activities. Danielle to email Lesley prior to P&C meetings to advertise the next P&C meeting.

**13. NEXT MEETING** Term 4, Wednesday 30 October 2019

Meeting Ended @ 8:52pm

**ACTION ITEMS FROM THIS MEETING**



## SHENTON COLLEGE P&C

Nick Emeljanow	Send out the P&C Constitution for P&C review.
Danielle Higgs	Add P&C Constitution review to October 2019 meeting
Adrian Barich	Discuss with Justine regarding School communications channel to promote P&C activities.
Danielle Higgs	Email Lesley prior to P&C meetings to advertise the next P&C meeting.

I note these minutes have been accepted and seconded by the P&C Committee.

**Adrian Barich**  
President  
Shenton College P&C

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