

WANNIASSA HILLS PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING

Monday, 12 September 2016

ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Committee (6):	Marc Dal Cortivo (President), Rebecca Reilly (Vice President), Craig Maconachie (Treasurer), Ed Brereton (Secretary), Emma Kate McGuirk (Public Officer), Mac McCann.
Members (4):	Alice Pommer, Georgina Thomsen, Karen Carmody, Kylie Charlesworth.
School (2):	John Manders, Katie Pratt
Apologies (2):	Alison Maconachie (Fundraising Coordinator).Meaghan Ferguson

1-2. WELCOME, APOLOGIES & MINUTES

- Marc opened the meeting, welcomed all members, and noted apologies. The minutes from the meeting of July 2016 were accepted, including to go online.

3. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES & ENGAGEMENT

- **Open air movie night:** the movie night was scheduled for Thursday, 15 September. If the weather is good, it will be held on the junior side of the school; otherwise it will be in the hall. Tickets are \$5 with a sausage sizzle, hot chocolate, popcorn, and drinks available.
- **School fair:** the preparations are in hand. There was a sub-committee meeting schedule for Tuesday, 20 October. No need for a raffle permit where the prize pool is valued at less than \$2500. Teachers will let the group know what will be needed for the fair art show.
- **Special lunch day:** Meg Ferguson and Ali Maconachie will run on Thursday, 27 October.

4. SERVICES TO THE SCHOOL

- **Clothing Pool:** the committee agreed to Karen's proposed price increases, with rounding to the nearest 10c, and to a \$5000 daily limit for her use of the Bendigo Bank account. Karen has started to do the work for the pre-school packs, noting 66 pre-schoolers across 3 classes are expected. Greg Hall will put a note in the newsletter seeking assistance for the year 6 shirts.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

- Craig spoke to the report he had prepared, noting the bank balance had increased by \$3500 (inflows from the Southern cross Club, Trivia Night, Fathers' Day Stall, and SOCs) with some reimbursements outstanding for the Fathers' Day Stall.

6. FUNDRAISING

- ACT Election BBQ will be run on Saturday 15 October and Bunnings BBQ is booked in for Saturday , 29 October.
- Emma Kate will put out a call for assistance for both and John agreed to place a note out to parents during week 1 of term 4. Emma Kate has been speaking to a new supplier - Alpha Fresh - and will share details with the school.
- Alice will run a photography fundraiser on 15-16 October offering outdoor mini sessions (30 minutes) for families providing five high-res images for \$50.
- One of the year 6 students would like to raise funds for the school using his t-shirt business - Yo Funky. The group agreed to this proposal.
- The Fathers' Day stall sold out of all the food items and will recycle the remaining non-food items. John passed back there had been very positive feedback from the students about the stall.
- Emma Kate provided a report on the trivia night which raised \$1379 from a group of around 70 people who had fun on the night, including dressing up. Four school family businesses supported the night - McCann Property, Salt Renovations, Applewild Photography, and Scentsy. Other businesses supporting the night were Joe's Thai, Athlete's Foot, Limelight Cinemas, Southern Cross Club, Palace Electric Cinema, Canberra Rock Climbing, Zone 3 Laser Tag, the Australian National Maritime Museum, Monkey Mania, Cockington Green, the National Dinosaur Museum, the Australian Institute of Sport, AMF bowling Tuggeranong. Thanks to Adam Maple as MC and Ian Fletcher on IT.

7. BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT

- **Athlete's Foot:** now up and running and Mac will continue to promote via the newsletter and Facebook. There will be a shoelace tying event at school on 25 Oct.
- **Southern Cross Club:** the report from the club showed a \$455 payment and this will continue to be promoted.
- **Grill'd:** the school will be part of the local groups to be supported at Woden during September. Mac will promote through the newsletter and Facebook.

8. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT & SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

- John introduced Katie Pratt, the school chaplain, and noted Katie was a very approachable and valued member of the team. Katie is available Thursdays and Fridays at school.
- Katie provided a short report to the group on her work with the students. She has been trained by Kids Matter and the group will be involved in the school, also has had outreach with Communities@Work and the YMCA and gets involved with other groups where there is a need. Katie has a group of year 6 students - 'V squad' - willing to get involved in volunteering around the school. Katie is keen to connect with parents and the group will keep her in mind for opportunities.
- John described Book Week as a huge success, with story night well attended, \$5000 spent at the book fair (the school receives 30%) and many books donated to the school. Each classroom now has its own class library, via an 8-stack book box.
- Fathers' Day had been marked at the school through a breakfast at the pre-school and a stall for students to buy gifts.
- The walkathon had been a success. Even with the first day rained out the students had been able to have fun on hired fitness equipment under cover and in the hall. The walk the following week went well.
- Coles Wanniasa had been involved in tree planting at the school and donated equipment as well as the time of workers.
- The most recent Board meeting had given thanks to the P&C donation for the renovation of the environment centre.
- John also spoke to copies of the school satisfaction survey and offered thanks to parents for completing the survey. Feedback will be taken account of in future work.

9. OPEN MIC

- After hours access to the school for events was raised - John is looking at outdoor lighting for the school to use for events.
- Use of the turn out spot in the pre-school car-park - John indicated scoping is being done on car-parking and he should have more information at the end of October.
- Marymead is running a Circle of Security Parenting course at Namadgi school in Kambah on Thursday mornings at 9.30am, from 20 October. For more information please call Marymead on 6162 5800 or email programs@marymead.org.au, or contact Leslie Fiocco on 61420943.

- Year 6 graduation - John is talking to parents about the graduation.
- Projects for the spending the association's funds - the school got quotes for the line marking of asphalt and will get it done when the weather is warmer. There is a boat being built for the pre-school and there is intent to refurbish the pre-school.

10. P&C COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

- Ed ran through the P&C Council activities.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

- Marc noted the email received regarding graduation gifts and suggested this could be taken to the meeting John will hold with parents. There are still some bears in stock in the clothing pool.
- Marc also noted to the group that the registration of the school canteen as a food business was due for renewal and he was not intending to renew - all agreed. This does not affect the ability of the association to use the kitchen facility for special events.

14. FORWARD SCHEDULE

- Mon, 17 Oct and Mon, 14 Nov.