Millthorpe Public School P & C March Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday 03 April 2013

Meeting commenced: 1810hrs

Present: Andrew & Jo Parkinson, Jo Jackett, Di Cullen, Johanna Francis, Mary Gardiner, Gavan Wickes, Terri Latimore, Leanne Brown.

Apologies: Jo Copelin

Guests present: nil

Business arising from Minutes of Previous meeting

- Correction to previous minutes: Donated drinks fridge for canteen not yet at the Parkinson household but will go there once received until new canteen is built.
- $6250 for retaining wall still not in school account at last check but Jo Jackett will check with Sally Sharp.
- Softball kit and recorders have been purchased.
- Steve Harris collected drinks from Di Cullen to use at the markets.
- Unsure as to whether sign in/out for volunteers has been organised for markets. Andrew to check with markets committee.

- Motion that we accept the minutes as true and accurate
  - Moved: Andrew
  - Seconded: Di
  - Carried: All in favour

Correspondence

In:

- NSW Education & Communities – School Global Funding
- Helen Gray – Thank you for recorder purchase.
- Peggy O’Brien – Sound field systems, ? on pricing Mary will clarify with Peggy.
- Federation of Parents & Citizens Association of NSW - Journals

Out:

- Thank You letter to Scott Munro
Treasurer’s Report:
- Verbal report tabled
- Moved: Gavan
- Seconded: 
- Carried: all in favour

Principal’s Report:
- Verbal report tabled.
- Smartboards: Pricing researched by Jo – From the DET a bundle including 4 yrs warranty, installation, smartboard, cables, speakers, data projector $6500.00
  Board only $2566.00 approx. Projector only $1097.00 approx. We need at least one bundle for the new classroom when it arrives. Possibly 2 more data projectors to replace old inadequate units. These need to be more than 2500 lumens.
- Demountable: Heritage report done. Awaiting Develop Application approval now. DA has been submitted by Kevin Sherman. Maybe P & C to write letter to council.
- Consultation with P & C re: Empowering Local Schools funding allocation. Entitled to 3rd Assistant Principal funding but can opt to use flexible allocation and use funding of $25808.00 towards extra staff for learning support, teacher release etc.. Staff have brainstormed ideas - All in favour of whatever the staff decides to use the extra funding for as they know where they need it most.
- There was a chance 2 years ago to apply for solar rebate in the Solar Energy in Schools program but we were unable to apply due to solar panels not being to go on heritage buildings.
- Playground:- Renn will do retaining wall in the 2nd week of the school holidays.
  No working bee due to injury concerns.
  Retaining wall blocks are $11 each. All in favour of part purchase to complete stage one of the play area at this stage.
  Johanna suggested a sensory path for the playground.
- L3 Program:- Language Learning & Literacy. Staff need to do 12 X ½ day training sessions.
  Request form Lisa Roffe for funding to go towards L3 program – PM Readers, magnetic whiteboards & letters, whiteboard markers, making resources. Cost would be $559.28 Additional to that a request for new home readers at a cost of $4075.00
  Jo Jackett has funding of $2500.00 from school & teacher training resources.
  P & C will pay the $559.28 plus allocate $2000.00 per semester this year.
- Jo Jackett updated info book with staff photos and also updated the P & C committee on the website.
- Motion that we accept Principal’s report as tabled.
  - Moved
  - Seconded -
  - Carried.

Canteen Report
- written report tabled
- New microwave purchased $188.00
- Purchased hand washing sink. Mick Whiley is organising plumber.
- No response from newsletter ad for interested parties to build a new canteen so may need to approach local builders.
- Athletics carnival covered for staff in the canteen but need more volunteers for next term in the canteen.

- Motioned:
- Seconded:
- Carried

Markets report
Nil
- Moved:
- Seconded
- Carried: All in favour

General Business

- Moved
- Seconded
- Carried

Next meeting:

Date: Wednesday 08 May 2013
Time: 1800hrs
Venue: Teachers Staffroom

Meeting closed: 1950hrs