Millthorpe Public School P & C Meeting Minutes

Date: 26 Nov 2014

Meeting commenced: 1813hrs

Present: Jo Parkinson, Leanne Brown, Terri Latimore, Charlie Harris, Virginia Begbie, Megan Wallace, Heather Fillery, Stacey Lochrin, Jo Jackett, Estella Ferri, Matt Dowlan, Jane Czyzewski, Karen Cameron, Annabelle Matheson, Sonya Cornally, Tachir Orme-Smith, Helen Foran, Mary Gardiner, Michael Truloff, Fiona & Wes McKenna (departed 1930hrs), Sue Richards, Bec Vaughan (departed 1920hrs), Brenda Moore, Renee Sinclair, Di Cullen, Jo Lemmich. Johannah Francis, Melissa Sheppard arrived 1825 hrs

Apologies: Andrew Parkinson, Rose Oates, Hope Armstrong, Jason & Katie Taylor.

Quorum: Attained

Guests present: nil

Business arising from Minutes of Previous meeting
- Fill in panels for playground repairs have arrived. There will need to be a working bee in the holidays to install.
- Presentation night will be held under the COLA.
- A few thousand dollars will be required for updating wifi. Company will buy back old.
- Redmond Oval:- Blayney Council meeting discussed fixing oval surface, increasing parking in Boomerang St, safety of carpark/basketball court, canteen to go ahead in current location, widening of Park St from school crossing to Richards Ln, need for a community use agreement in order to use the schools canteen facilities while building in process of new canteen at oval.

Above dependant largely on receiving a grant from Paul Toole member for parliament, Bathurst.

- Naidoc week:- Unfortunately it rained on the day the children were to participate in the Naidoc week parade.

Staff committee looking into training to include indigenous perspective into curriculum.

Motion that we accept the Minutes of the previous meeting as true and accurate

- Moved: Jo Parkinson
- Seconded: Mary Gardiner
- Carried: All in favour 29/0

Correspondence

Correspondence In:
Cliff Dykes Photography
Orange Regional conservatorium
P&C Federation magazines

Correspondence Out:
Letter and email to parents addressing need to attend P&C meetings
Treasurer's Report:
- Verbal report tabled.
- At present approximately $30000.00 in bank.
- All cattle sold at the moment. (Should be $10000.00 in reserve for Darren Connick to continue to purchase cattle when prices are good – not allocated so will have to come from contingency $16800.00 until next years budget allocates funds).

Motion that we accept the Treasurers Report as true and accurate
- Moved: Leanne Brown
- Seconded: Johannah Francis
- Carried: All in favour 29/0

Markets Report
- December markets on track
- Volunteers still needed for 2-4pm time slot
- Heather Fillery made suggestion of child minding service to be provided. Difficult due to working with kids laws and locations etc… Suggestions to try and organise shifts with friends to alternate child minding.

Motion that we accept the Markets Report as tabled.
- Moved: Di Cullen
- Seconded: Stacey Lochrin
- Carried: All in favour 29/0

Principal's Report:
- Verbal report tabled.
- RAM $260000.00 - $100000.00 still to come out for new canteen. Roll over figure should be somewhere between $40000.00 - $160000.00 to be spent in 2015.
- Gonski - $2.4million of which $1.7million is for staff wages. $450000.00p.a. for operating expenses.
- Maybe one more staffing appointment coming up soon.
- Mary Gardiner thanked P&C for donation of $19000.00 – it has been well spent on many books and classroom resources.
- Class sizes for 2015 will be similar to this year thus no need for new demountable.

Motion that we accept the Principal's Report as tabled.
- Moved: Heather Fillery
- Seconded: Helen Foran
- Carried: All in favour 29/0

Canteen Report
- New Canteen handover complete and ready to operate this week.
- Canteen committee agreed to hire Liz Knoblanche casually on Fridays for 5 hours.
- Shelving done at a cost of $298.00
- Canteen project came in under budget by $6000.00
- Still to purchase a zippy water system $1000.00approx.
  A chest freezer would be good a bigger fridge. Jo Parkinson to liaise with Jo Jackett on these purchases as the money will come from surplus canteen project money.
- Members suggested locks on cupboards for those times that the community will use the canteen – Will make decision further down the track.
- A phone will be installed for emergencies at schools expense.

Motion that we accept the Canteen Report as tabled.
- Moved: Virginia Begbie
- Seconded: Emma Fitzsimmons
- Carried: All in favour 29/0
AGENDA

P&C Membership

Charlie Harris moved to accept new members
Helen Foran seconded
Carried : All in Favour 29/0

Canteen contract

Both Jo Parkinson and Liz Knoblanche are employed on a term by term contract at this stage. Reassess contracts next year.

Email Address

Leanne Brown created an email address for the sole use of the P&C to make it easier for future committee members to contact parents.

School Enews

Jo Parkinson found this application for smartphones to assist in communication between school, P&C and parents. Heather Fillery will investigate uses and viability over the holidays and report at next meeting in the new year.

Parent gifts for presentation night

Heather Fillery will approach Angullong wines – moved to spend $200.00 or less:- Sue Richards.
Seconded : Johannah Francis
Carried: All in favour 29/0

Letters of acknowledgement to accompany gift.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Could there be reserved seating for parents of Kindergarten and Year 6 students at the presentation night? Jo Jackett will consider.
- Bollards broken at school crossing – Jo Jackett will liaise with Blayney Council.
- P&C meeting agenda could be mentioned in the newsletter prior to meetings.

Next meeting:
Date: Wednesday, Date to be confirmed.
Time: 6pm
Venue: School Library

Meeting closed: 2043hrs