MEETING DATE: Monday 2 June 2014
TIME: 6.30pm

1. Apologies: Leanne Catanzariti, Isabel Thornton, Anthony Stevenson, Annabel Schweiger, Cynthia Dolan, Erika Reid

2. Acknowledgement of Country

3. Approval of minutes – Kym Bush moved that the minutes be accepted, Janene seconded.

4. Executive Reports

President’s Report
May has been a busy month with a number of things happening.

Summary of Activities

Mother’s Day Stall
The Mother’s Day stall was a great success with a large number of volunteers available on the day. Erika Reid will provide feedback.

Starting School Expo
I attended the Starting School Expo to give a sense of school community and promote the P&C with prospective parents. It was a good opportunity to talk to new parents and assist where possible, but I would probably not attend again and instead concentrate our efforts on parents once the children are enrolled at events like the school orientation days etc.

Changes to P&C Webpage
I have gone through the P&C’s webpage and have made a number of changes. I have added a list of office bearers, meeting details of when, where etc and how people can contact us. I have also added some factsheets from the P&C Federation and removed the out of date information. If anyone has any further suggestions, please let me know.
P&C Federation Changes

During May I was advised that a number of changes are happening to the P&C Federation as it has been suffering from some issues concerning its governance and leadership. To try to rectify the issues, the NSW parliament has introduced legislation to reform the P&C’s governance structure and Garry Payne was appointed as administrator of the Federation while a new leadership team is elected.

The new leadership team will be drawn from P&C Associations across the state, so the state will be broken into 16 electoral areas from which 1 councilor and 2 delegates will be elected. Queanbeyan is part of the Southern and Central Tablelands and it consists of 142 schools. Members will be encouraged to nominate for positions and we will be asked to vote as to who we want to represent our area (further information about this process will be coming). The 7 member executive which will be responsible for running the P&C federation (those that choose the President, Secretary etc) will be chosen from within the 16 councilors.

It is anticipated that the new structure will be in place by 4th term and I’ll keep everyone informed as things progress.

Principal’s Report

The P&C Mother’s Day stall was a lovely success. Thank you Erika and your support crew. Also thank you to parents who volunteered on the day. There was lots of variety for students to make a choice and the raffle was an interesting addition. It was very popular with stage 3 students.

NAPLAN is done and dusted for 2014. Staff supported students by grouping to cater for differences. Here’s hoping our numeracy results are improved as the school has made changes to teaching in this KLA through increased staff capacity, increased staffing, as well as an increased time allocation.

At the same time year 6 students participated in a Young Leaders program. Peer Mediator training was delivered by Mrs Sharp, Miss Boughton, Mrs Hawes and on the last day past students were invited to speak about their leadership journey. Megan Marcks (Still) a QPS parent, told her story of winning a gold medal in the double sculls (rowing) at the Atlanta Olympic Games in 1996. Ty Phelps, a member of the Year 12 leadership group at Queanbeyan High School described his experiences as an SRC member representing QHS at regional and state conferences. Josh Godden, Captain at Queanbeyan High School spoke about his participation in Positivity Camps in Year 9 and 10 to help build leadership skills. Isabella Markoska, Captain at Karabar High School believes that having a go at things and trying again if necessary is important. Katarina Marinceska, a Year 12 student at KHS said it was important in leadership to have fun, build friendships and make the most of every opportunity that comes along.

In week 5, Year 6 students commenced their peer mediator program, volunteering their time at recess and lunch on playgrounds 1 and 2. They work in pairs to support young students in social interactions, relationship building, problem-solving and play choices. Teachers on duty sign the students’ books and give them positive feedback. Miss Boughton will continue to organise and support the year 6 students.

A Queanbeyan AECG meeting held earlier this term was hosted by QPS in the ‘Murra Gaddi’ garden. QPS staff and visitors to the school enjoyed a BBQ and sat in the meeting place around a campfire. This outdoor gathering was a
success in building positive relationships with the local Aboriginal community.
The school is continuing its Kids Matter journey. Currently staff learning is about Component 4 – Mental Health, to be completed this term. Recently staff (Miss Boughton, Mrs Loch, Mrs Reeves and Mrs Hawes) trained in Component 3 – Working with Parents, ready to deliver next term. We will work our way back into Component 2 – Social and Emotional Learning then Component 1 – Positive School Community. A parent survey is available to gather further information for this important school project.

2014 Reconciliation Week including Sorry Day has just concluded. We commenced with a whole school assembly led by school captains, prefects and year 6 Aboriginal students. This year the theme Let’s Walk the Talk encourages everyone to join a conversation about the value of recognition and to consider how past conversations can be turned into actions to make things happen. A word from the language of the Ngunnawal people – ‘Narragunnawali’ means peace, alive, wellbeing and coming together. Reconciliation Week has been about bringing people together and celebrating our diversity as a school.

The Queanbeyan Choral Festival held last week showcased our senior and intermediate choirs. Students looked fantastic in their formal school uniform. Both choirs featured soloists and performed songs that showed their dynamic range. Fine performances by both choirs led to a very successful evening. Mrs Sawyer has been extremely busy this year preparing 3 choirs and 3 ensembles. All 6 groups will perform at the Goulburn Eisteddfod that is coming up soon.

The third school choir, the Junior Choir, with students from years 1 & 2 performed last week at the St1 assembly. This was a dry run in preparation for the eisteddfod, to give the students an audience for the first time and to check on uniform. The pinafore does look lovely on the young students.

Our school team participated in the District Cross Country Carnival at Gundaroo earlier in the term. Mrs Bryant and Mr Cox managed the team. There were some fine student achievements with six students in the district team to compete in the Regional Cross Country Carnival held last Friday in Nowra.

The Starting School Expo, held on Saturday 25 June, was a successful event. The school stall looked fantastic with many staff present to answer questions. Kym Bush gave the stall an additional parent presence. This presented as a positive school community, thank you.

Treasurer’s Report

Summary of Financial Reports

Bank Balances
We had $65,460.64 as of 31/05/14 in the Queanbeyan Public School’s Parents & Citizens Association’s bank accounts.

Which means year to date the P&C had made a profit of $20 thousand.

Event Income

Book Sale and Interest
We banked $30 from history book sales and $82.58 in interest in May.

Fete
We banked $1,524.95 from the fete, $1,417.00 was the school reimbursing EFTPOS payments for the fete and left over popper juices used by the school.
Mother’s Day Stall
We banked just over $4000 on the day.

Expenses
The P&C paid 75c in bank fees, we also paid the school ambulance levy of $674 and two terms of ecomist for $684.

Event Expenses
Fete
We paid $772.40 of fete expenses ($545.45 for books and $126.95 of cheques were banked for supplies for teachers stalls) this month meaning profits from this event are just under $18,000.

Mother’s Day Stall
We paid for $1,499 worth of supplies for the mother’s day stall, which means we have looking at the income collected and dispersed in this year a profit of over $2,500. Congratulations Erika Read on running a successful event.

2014 Budget
We are proposing that the P&C will still end 2014 with over $30,000 in our accounts.

5. Fundraising

• Laura Jean Photography: Cathy is happy to coordinate this year’s fundraiser for 23 August 2014

6. Follow-ups

• Queanbeyan Council is considering drop-off zone behind the school on Hirst Avenue

• We discuss the possibility of installing signs on the fence on Isabella Street to remind parents of the no-parking spots next to the bus stop – Kym B. to investigate

7. Other business

• We agree not to support the Royal Far West Literacy Appeal.

• The ‘bush tucker garden’ needs maintaining – Kym H. to explore options

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