MEETING DATE: Monday 5 May 2014

TIME: 6.30pm

Present: Leanne Catanzariti, Kym Hawes, Janene Tanzey, Isabel Thornton, Kym Bush, Dagmar Davies, Erika Reid, Shyamala Durvasan

1. Apologies: Anthony Stevenson, Annabel Schweiger, Cynthia Dolan, Cathy Duke

2. Acknowledgement of Country

3. Approval of minutes – Three proposed changes to minutes were noted by Dagmar. Leanne moved that the minutes be accepted, Isabel seconded.

4. Executive Reports

President’s Report
April has been a quieter month for QPS P&C with the Easter and Anzac Day break. I hope everyone has been able to have some relaxation and down time.

The main activity that has been happening in April is the preparation work for the upcoming Mother’s Day stall on Friday 9 May.

Summary of Activities

Preparation of Mother’s Day Stall

Liz Gallagher has generously provided us with a full manual on how she has run the Mother’s and Father’s Day stalls in the past, including supplier contacts, quantities ordered and pricing guides. This will be essential in helping Erika find her feet as she undertakes the role of organiser.

Dagmar has sent out a call for volunteers for the day, hopefully this result in some interest.

Easter Hat Parade

I gave a little talk at the Kindergarten Easter Hat Parade to thank the parents for contributing to the fete and to give the P&C a little bit more of a presence at school events to try and build better relationships.

Upcoming items

Mother’s Day stall being held on Friday 9 May.
Principal’s Report
Term 2 started with a staff development day. The focus was Philosophy for Children (P4C) to achieve creative, critical, collaborative inquiry. Staff engaged in learning about the tools to teach thinking, and how to structure the curriculum around thinking.

ANZAC Day, Friday 25 April, was commemorated in the school holidays. Mr Peter Cox led the school representative group of Captains, Prefects and students yr2-yr6 in the Queanbeyan City march. The school ANZAC services were held on the first Tuesday. John Cope was the guest speaker telling a story of eight former students of QPS who served their country at the Gallipoli Campaign. John has been researching the names on the school’s Honour Roll. Mrs Sawyer prepared the Intermediate Choir for the occasion. They performed ‘From Today’, a song about a soldier returning home from war and his hopes for the future. Olga Hamnet accompanied the choir helping to bring the song to life. School captains, Alex Whitby and Jomel Jackson-Pomere, wrote and delivered the commemorative address.

The Yr6 camp was held over 3 days in week one. There was great anticipation for this annual trek to Cooba. It was held a little later this year due to a booking problem but staff and students reported a great time! Four teachers attended to ensure each group was smaller for the outdoor education experiences.

Yr5 students visited Birrigai for the day last Wednesday. They had a very successful time with warm weather to ensure the day went ahead. Four teachers and one support staff accompanied the students.

A new member of staff was appointed on merit at the end of last term. Barbara Crowden will commence in Special Education at the beginning of term 3. Thank you to Haroon, for being parent rep on the panel.

The Rugby League team won their first round of competition in the PSSA knockout today. They traveled to Crookwell on the school bus, Chris Newman as coach and Peter Cox as manager of the team. This was a great start as playing Crookwell PS would have been tough. 26-8 was a good result. Well done!

The last few weeks of term 1 were very busy, full of school community events. St1 classes held museum exhibitions of ‘Me’ boxes. Many parents attended and were involved in the student presentations. St1 staff had created this interesting challenge for the young students to reflect on their favourite memories.

St3 students also shared their learning with peers - a range of models, games and posters linked to term 1 studies of Energy and Australian Identity. Students showed off their learning then visited other classrooms to learn from other students. This was an excellent way of learning a lot in a short time.

Three school teams competed in the NSW Swifts Netball School Cup held in Queanbeyan. Wendy Imrie and Shannon Tierney coached the teams. Students prepared for the day during lunchtime practice sessions over the team. Both boys and girls were included so teams were mixed. One of our teams won the day’s competition and will progress to the next round.

2014 school and family photographs were taken on Thursday, week 10. It was a very full day just fitting in the whole school with about 30mins to spare at the end of the day. The students’ school uniform was consistent and of a high standard. Thank you to parents. Black shoes for all students is a school priority.
Olivia Clark, now in Yr7, was successful in gaining a Nanga Mai State Aboriginal Award – Outstanding Participation. She was very excited and proud, enjoying the moment with her mum, Megan, her two grandmothers and a cousin. The awards were held at the Power House Museum. Congratulations to Olivia and thank you to staff who supported and inspired Olivia throughout her primary school learning.

Term 1 was completed with the Kindergarten Easter Hat Parade! Parents and family attended in large numbers to enjoy the students’ performance and many stayed to share morning tea. Well done to the Kindergarten team for arranging a very positive school community event.

Holiday actions:
1. Improved outdoor learning space in special education. Cement extension ready for marine carpet installation.
2. Playground 1 gardens removed, plants repositioned, preparations for asphalt removal. New seating was installed outside KC classroom.
3. Playground 2 a dead tree was removed.
4. Hall sound system problem was identified and resolved. Improved electronic equipment explored.

Treasurer’s Report

Reporting
Is it at all possible to move our meetings to the second Monday of each month, it makes reporting easier for me. As often end of month interest is not accrued until the last day of the month. I would like to have the reports up and available before the meetings as part of my responsibilities as treasurer is to not only report on but give members an understanding of our financial position.
(Propose Motion: Move Meetings to the second Monday of each month)

Bank Balances
We had $63,370.86 as of 30/04/14 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 $18,349.18.

Event Profits
Book Sale, Membership and Interest
We banked $165 from history book sales (at the photo exhibition), $2 in membership and $82.42 in interest in April.

Expenses
The P&C paid 75c in bank fees.

Event Expenses
Fete
We paid $1,866:16 of fete expenses this month meaning profits from this event are still over $17,000.

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

Our proposed budget for the mother’s day and father’s day stall is $7,500 income and $3,000 expenses.
We will have sufficient funds to pay our $1,000 worth of P&C related expenses (insurance and affiliation), $10,000 of event expenses (mothers and father’s day stall, fete and disco) and $35,000 we propose to put back into the school (playground, ecomist, ambulance levy, etc...).

(Propose Motion: Reduce income for Mother’s Day and Father’s Day Stall to $3,000 for the 2014 Budget)

5. Fundraising

Mother’s Day stall 9 May 2014

- 2000 gifts have been prepared by Erika and her helpers.
- Lots of items can be personalised by the kids.
- Volunteers are still needed – Dagmar to send out another email.

6. Follow-ups

- A priced proposal for the defibrillator is to be tabled at the next meeting.
- The sound system has been repaired – info on upgrade of the system to be tabled at a future meeting.

7. Other business

- Please email Kym with ideas for the P&C part of the school’s website.
- Starting in July 2014, we will hold P&C meetings on the second Monday of each month in order to ease pressure on Isabel to finalise monthly reporting before the meetings.
- To say thank you for contributing to the fete, the P&C put on a morning tea for the school’s staff and teacher on staff development day, using leftover vouchers from the fete.
- Should we offer free afternoon tea to parents once per term in the hall? This would make the P&C more approachable and we could collect ideas for what improvements are needed at the school. We will start discussion on email about this item.

MEETING CLOSED: 7.35pm

NEXT MEETING: 2 June 2014 at 6.30pm
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