



General Meeting Minutes

28th October 2020

7:00pm, via Zoom video call

Item 1: Attendance

Marina Alexiou, Helen Randall 3J, Jo Coetzee, Rebecka Blacker 1B, 3J, Jenny 3S and 1B, Chantal Cake, Svetlana 3B, Mai Zhou 2T, Carol Gagic 4B, Jodie Steele 4A, 1M, Deanna Rodden, 1A, Sarah Sorrenson 2T, Betty Thomas, Kate Anderson 1M, Leane Economou 4B, Dayne Fogliati 3B, Johanna Lowe - Alice Sylvester 4M, Kylie Berger, Liz Russell 1e and 4a, Brad Mitchell 1B

Apologies

Janice Eliovson and Ari Pappas

Item 2: Minutes of previous Meeting

Moved: Carol Gagic

Second: Jenny Connell

Item 3: Reports

- a) Principal – presented by Chantal Cake – APPENDIX 1
Trish unable to attend meeting, Chantal representing.
- b) President – Jodie Steele – APPENDIX 2
Shared powerpoint on Bathroom decals.
- c) Treasurer – Mai Zhou – APPENDIX 3

Item 4: General Business

- d) Events/Fundraising Update
 - a. Crazy Camel

Fundraising – Class artwork produced for calendars, tea towels etc. Can be done online and no excess stock. Sarah and Helen working on it. Classes are creating artwork this week. Each class does one piece of artwork. Go live with online ordering week 5 & 6, 9 November – 20 November. A few weeks for them to be



created. 14 December distributed to classes. Great idea for Christmas presents.

e) Uniform Shop Update – Deanna Rodden

a. New website

Lots happening. Comms through P&C Facebook page. Shifted from Munch Monitor to Square. Munch Monitor managed by canteen and square is system P&C uses, which is great for consistency. Functionality of system, influx of orders (kindy pack and summer uniforms) system user friendly. Suppliers – Berelle and Wylies. Wylies still continue to be a supplier. Square is functioning well. If the order is placed during the week it will be delivered to classroom on Friday. New students can collect from office.

b. Pricing

There has been a review of pricing after 5 years. The updated pricing is in line with Berelle's and competitive.

Second hand items – going through process of uploading them. Covid and the issues with entering the school had made the purchase of second hand a bit more difficult. Will be easier when they are on the website.

There has been a drop in second hand items – parents are encouraged to donate, please send with child to drop at office or drop at office yourself.

Jodie – huge thanks to Brad, Dee and Ellise for all the work that has gone in to the upgrade.

f) Wish List Update

a. School Hall AV

Finished AV upgrade in the hall. Presentation to teacher exec last Monday. Easy to use. Great AV functionality. \$25 000 spend. When events happen again it will make a big difference. Thanks to Troy Steele for getting the right system in place.

b. Grants

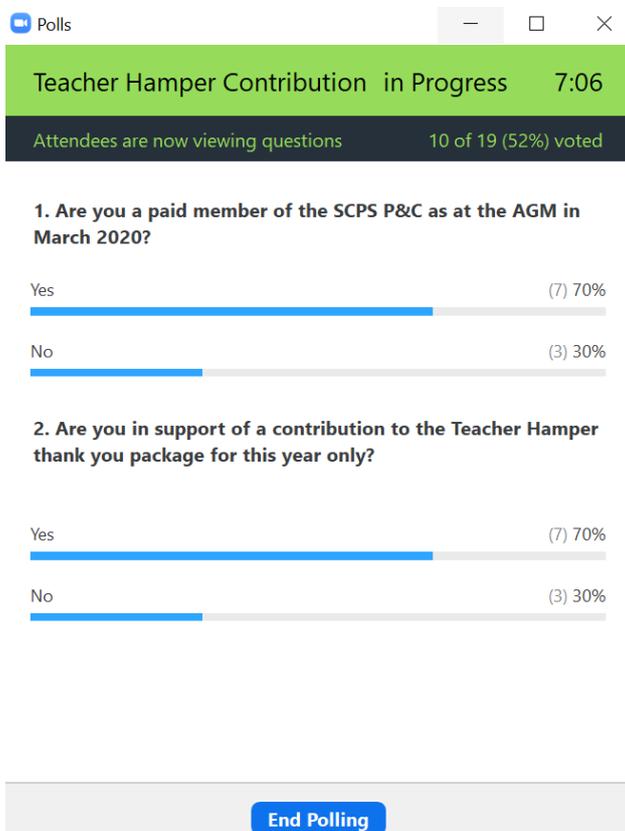
Unsuccessful in Yates Garden Grants, less than 1% chance. Applied for Clovelly Community grant for sensory path. Thanks to Ari for his work on the grants.

g) Hamper initiative for teachers

Trish has been looking at end of year gift for staff for thanks to teachers for a difficult year. Nice items for teachers and for classroom. Total \$2500 contribution overall.



Anyone who is a member is able to vote. Voting via Poll.



RESULT: 70% in favour of contribution to the Teacher Hamper package.

h) Boys Urinal – Leane

The smell is horrendous in both juniors and seniors. Stains in urinals which means they are not flushing the toilets. The boys can't reach the flush chain to pull it.

Chantal to take up and look into it.

i) SCCS (SCLC/OOSH) Update – Jenny Connell

Powerpoint presentation of upgrades at OOSH.

Please email P&C email address (scps.pandc@gmail.com) if you would like anything followed up.

Close meeting: 7.55 pm

Next Meeting: 25 November, 7:00pm.



APPENDIX 1 – Principal's Report

Apologies from Trish as she is still attending the virtual NSWPPA Conference.

A few things to mention at this meeting.

The fancy dress day is this Friday 30 Oct – embracing the fun of dress up, book week, Halloween and muffin celebrations. The combination of celebrations has been encouraged by the conflicting requests from parents to hold on book week, so we combined the celebrations so that the children had a fun dress up without the parents stressing about costumes.

Thank you to the P & C team led by Helen Randall in putting up the inspiring decals in our senior bathrooms. We will continue to be vigilant in encouraging students to look after the images.

Congrats to our colleagues in the OOSH service as they were assessed last week to attain accreditation status. I'm sure you will pass with flying colours. We have been advised by the DoE Assets team that we will be getting a new 'Access Gate' system on Moverly Rd which should be in place by Term 1, 2021 – fingers crossed.

We have also been advised that the beginning of the year start date has changed for all learners – Friday 29 Jan is day one. There will be two Staff Development Days prior. This will impact Kindergarten Best Start organisation. Information will be shared with new Kindergarten families shortly.

After 5 years of applications, we have been advised that we will be getting a new crossing supervisor for Tucabia St – hoorah! We will let you know more detail on the start date.

Thank you to all parents and carers who were able to complete the TTFM survey. A larger number of responses this year is seems – thanks to Chantal for



getting the word out to families.

Jump Rope for Heart is well under way at school. We have already raised \$10 347 which is amazing. The students have been skipping at lunch and in PE lessons and are enjoying improving their skills while raising money for a worthwhile cause. The Jump Off day will be next Wednesday. Students should wear sport uniform and can wear a red t-shirt if they have one.

Last week on Monday we had a whole school launch of Bounce Back. Mrs Cake read Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day to all classes over Zoom. Bounce Back is a great program to build resilience in children.

This term we have commenced the new playground plan. There are designated areas and addition equipment on the playground for the children to engage with. So far so good.

Thank you again to our parents for their ongoing support, patience and appreciation as we continue to ensure our goal of keeping the school site open for learning is achieved.

Thank you for sharing your questions with us in relation to Term 4 school organisation as we endure living with COVID. We can appreciate the feelings associated with not having access inside our school gates however be assured that your children are continuing to access the highest quality education at South Coogee Public School academically, socially, emotionally and physically.

I would like to acknowledge that the school has a minimal footprint on Facebook and as such, responses to questions may not be addressed in a timely manner. You are always encouraged to contact the school directly as



first point. This is the best way to communicate and have a clear understanding of school's policies and procedures.

Whilst it is tempting to compare our school to others, in making decisions for our school be reassured we have followed all department guidelines and policies to ensure the school stays open and safe. Our main goal is that learning continues, and children are engaged with school. We know it has been a difficult year for everyone, and the support from the school community, when difficult decisions have had to be made, has been greatly appreciated by the school.

School Activities:

- PSSA Sport was cancelled by the PSSA
- Stage 2 and 3 students are still playing sport on Fridays to make up for the usual Friday sport not happening
- Choir and Dance - Not possible to run while adhering to guidelines – social distancing, singing (5 at time)
- Excursions/Camp - Camps were cancelled last term in line with the guidelines. It is not possible to rebook these camps at such a late time when we have such large numbers.
- There were no excursions booked for this term other than Movie Day and Surf Ed for Stage 3. These are being looked into to if they can go ahead under the guidelines.
- We are also taking into consideration the financial burden on families during a global pandemic.

Playground:

- Students have access to a significantly increased amount of equipment including ball games, skipping ropes, scoops etc..
- Basketball hoops in COLA were taken down as they were damaged and dangerous. However, there are still three in the top playground and we are replacing damaged ones.



Assemblies and awards:

- Merit awards, star awards, medallions etc are still being handed out.
- No formal assemblies as they can only be 15 min with 50 students. We have used these only for leadership badges.
- Planning is already underway for Zoom Presentation Day assemblies.

School Gates:

- The gates are closed at 9am. If students arrive late, office staff will let them in. Parents should not leave them unattended. They can call the office and someone will come out. In addition, students should not be left unattended before 8.30am. OOSH is available for before school care if required.

Community Activities including Band:

- The community user is responsible for letting students in and out of the school. Parents need to make sure they get children to school on time for their activity so that they can enter the school with the others.

Canteen:

- The decision to keep canteen 3 days was made by the provider due to staffing. It is anticipated it will return to 5 days in 2021

Please be advised that we have not been informed of next year's guidelines.

However for the health, safe and best educational outcomes of our learners, we will continue to adhere to the guidelines determined by the NSW Department of Education and NSW Health. We are very hopeful that we will return to normal school routines and activities, and planning has commenced to support 2021.

Kind regards

Trish



APPENDIX 2 - Presidents Report

Thanks everyone and welcome again.

Bathroom decals

- Huge thanks to Helen Randell and Leane Economou for the gorgeous bathroom decals in all the toilets. They look amazing!
- We've had reports already of kids trying to peel them off, so if everyone could talk to their children about respecting the school property that would be appreciated.

Silver coin challenge lunches

- We have decided to reward the two winning classes with \$5.50 each to spend at the canteen for lunch. If you are in 4A or 1B you will receive a letter home shortly asking about any dietary requirements or food your child is not allowed to order
- The 2nd classes will get an iceblock each from the canteen (2J, 5/6M)

Year 6 end of year celebrations

- This is all underway with a massive thanks to Hayley Kirk, Leigh Hayim, and Kylie Kennedy for heading up.
- With covid restrictions still a major factor, a dinner/dance is not possible.
- A fun afternoon with inflatables, slides etc is being planned for Tuesday 15th December, so please put that in your diary!
- A donation campaign has been set up to help raise more funds on the Chuffed online platform, so if you are a Y6 parent who is not across this please contact the P&C and we'll get you in touch with the organisers.



APPENDIX 3 – Treasurer’s Report

- Bank account balance at \$78 449.00.
- There have been more sales from uniform shop recently, an injection of over \$9000. Since we moved to square the sales have been just over \$4000. Kindy packs have come through.
- Silver coin challenge income was \$3692.
- Main expenses have been just over \$22 000 for the AV upgrade.
- We are changing banking over to Clovelly Community Bank.