



CHATSWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

Pacific Highway
CHATSWOOD 2067

GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 27th June 2017 MINUTES

Attendees: As per meeting register.

1. President's welcome

2. Apologies

Matt Wood, Maria Ferriera, Angela Todd, Nick Moore

3. School Banking

Barbara Caterson from the Commonwealth Bank gave a quick presentation on School Banking. The P&C will facilitate the reintroduction in Term 3, starting with K-2 and eventually rolling it out to the rest of the school.

4. Confirmation of previous minutes

Motion: That the minutes of the previous general meeting on 23rd May 2017 be approved.

Moved by Joe Grundy, Seconded by Paul Battaglia, motion passed.

5. Correspondence

- A letter from Greater Sydney Commission acknowledging our overcrowding
- A letter from Department of Education Assets acknowledging our request for additional land.
- The P&C sent a letter to the Council about our concerns on traffic in regard to the development of Freeman Rd.

6. Master Plan Update and Presidents Report

Brett Backhouse and Tim Dodds co-presented the Master Plan update. Tim Dodds is currently on secondment to the Dept of Education until mid-Term 3. He is working as the Department representative on various PRG (Project Reference Groups) including Smalls Rd (new circular design school), Lindfield Learning Village, Greenwich and other projects.

The NSW Budget was passed on the 21st June, CPS was only mentioned on their webpage:

<https://schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/>

This led to a North Shore Times Article (where we made the front page and page 5) that quoted our concerns with no specific dollar amount. This article prompted Gladys Berejiklian, the NSW State Premier to ring Brett directly and assure us that Chatswood Public School was a priority and once a plan had been formulated, funding would be allocated. We are part of the Accelerated Planning Process.

<http://www.dailytelegraph.com.au/newslocal/north-shore/chatswood-public-school-misses-out-on-state-budget-funding-despite-chronic-overcrowding/news-story/c9a5bc449c3a620875b4ff1b8d77b2b2>

Today both Brett & Tim Dodds met with Sue Low, the Director of Public Schools from the Department of Education to talk about the initial steps required. Architects, planners, geotechnical consultants will be on board and some proposals will be delivered to us by the end of Term 3 for a consultation period. At this stage it looks like a complete rebuild except for the 2 heritage buildings and building works will not start for 2-3 years. It will be a state of the art vertical build. Education will not be affected and contingency plans for education continuance will be put in place.

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The Head of Infrastructure for the DoE, Anthony Perrau will send an official letter shortly.

It was also noted that:

- The Cottage will be refurbished for 2018 with 2 new classes to cover student increases.
- 688-692 Pacific Highway and/or 9 Centennial will not be purchased by the DoE.
- DoE received a record amount of letters from CPD in regards to the capacity issues.
- OOSH Before School care is working well in a Classroom.

7. Principal's report – presented by Terry McKinnon Acting Principal

- Executive Directors Recognition Award – for Korean program, presented to Susan Kim
- Oval – current completion date is 26th July
- Bush Campus
 - i. Deck to be painted during July holidays.
 - ii. The Orchard will be regrassed in September holidays.
 - iii. Mud wash from orchard onto decking - drainage will be considered during landscaping work
- Security Lighting is being reviewed.
- Heritage remediation work on Main Building is completed.
- Music Program & Dance Program is going well.
- Reports and 3-way Parent Interviews
 - i. Reports to be distributed last day of Term and
 - ii. Interviews have been organised for early Term 2 by online system.
- STEM equipment has now arrived.
- Airconditioning for the BER building will be happening in July holidays.
- Toilets
 - i. Exhaust fans will be ordered.
 - ii. Hand dryers are very expensive at \$2000 each, so hand towels will remain.
 - iii. P&C is still advertising for a toilet cleaner.

8. External Validation – Su Hill

DoE requires every school to do a Validation exercise of their programs. Su Hill has been driving a web based program highlighting our schools extensive suite of programs including STEM, Korean, Maths Olympiad, L3.

- Learning, Teaching, Leading

After an Internal Validation, the school has given itself a Sustaining Growing ranking. Once the DoE panel has validated the results the web link will be shared to the community.

9. NAPLAN Readiness – Grant Galbraith

NAPLAN is heading towards an online platform. CPS will one of 850 schools to be part of the testing phase in early September, where all Year 3 & 5 students will complete a pretend “NAPLAN” on an iPad in a dynamic form. Note there will be no formal results.

10. P&C Treasurer's report

Motion: To approve amount totalling \$44,873.22 (from main account, as listed in Treasurers report) for payment.

Moved by Joe Grundy, Seconded by Paul Battaglia, motion passed.

A new Bookkeeper has started - Elina D’Cruz. Elina runs a Bookkeeping firm and is a parent of the school. She is looking at updating our current system to Xero. It was agreed that all the main businesses will meet with Elina to discuss their requirements.

- 11. Sub-Committee updates**
Canteen report – attached report

Motion: That the P&C note that the Canteen intends to purchase an additional oven and additional fridge in the coming months. Both purchases and associated installation costs will be funded from current year canteen profits and allow the canteen to remain within its approved FY18 breakeven budget.

Moved by Moved by Joe Grundy, Seconded by Sue Low, motion passed unanimously.

Uniform Shop – NIL

Grounds report – Verbal

- Working Bee to be organised for Sunday 30th July.

Class-Parent Co-ordinator – NIL

Social Events

Purchase of banner – displayed for P&C.

EVENTS

- Moon Festival – Prizes/donation request.
- Trivia night – Wild West theme, 5th August.

- 12. Outstanding items**

Traffic Management – Joe Grundy

- Pruning requests to happen
- Eddy Road signage to be reviewed.
- School Zone on Jenkins
- Freeman Rd, letter sent to council in regards to traffic.

Lollipop Man

- Possible back up has been found.

- 13. Other business**

Newsletter

- Parents requested to have Music component at the end of the newsletter.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.45 pm.