



# CHATSWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

Pacific Highway  
CHATSWOOD 2067

## GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 25 February 2014 MINUTES

### **Attendees:**

Tim Dodds - Principal	George Dragoi (Kenny 5H)
Lyndall Franks (Ellis 3P, Eamonn 1/2T)	John Burgess (Charlotte 4)
Brett Backhouse (Lizzie 6M, Ed 2E)	Beverly Scott (Benjamin 1/2T)
Mark Twynam (Sophie 4, Harrison 2, Annabelle K)	Lee Hughes (Imogen 4R)
Andrew Wilson (nil)	Christine Chang (Justin 6B)
Sally Sternecker (Liam 5V)	Andrea Austin (Amy 1S, Lucas 2K)
Nigel Justins (Morgan 4B)	Maria Ferreira (Elizabeth 2K)
Joe Grundy (Cassandra 2H)	Matthew Wood (Lucas KC)
Julie Hill (Ethan 2S, Levi 4M)	Angela Todd (Nic 2G)
Johua Sung (Clare KC)	Robert Cen (Erik 4BT)
Michele Hackney (Ben 5G)	

1. **President's Welcome:** John Burgess welcomed all and thanked everyone who volunteered for a role.
2. **Apologies:** Constance Ho, Michael Waterhouse.
3. **Confirmation of Previous Minutes:** Minutes of the previous general meeting held 26 November 2013 were accepted.

### 4. **Principal's report:**

#### **Enrolments**

25 new children have started in 2014 – up only 10 on last year. There are a number new staff with the addition of many younger teachers and male teachers. The Annual School Report will be in the school website in the next week or so. Everyone encouraged to read the report.

#### **My School website**

School data will be published on the My School website in the next 3 weeks.

#### **LMBR**

Julie Howard from the front office will be seconded to receive specialist training for the Learning Management and Business Reform program.

#### **Bush Campus**

The 2 demountables in the staff car park will be removed on the weekend. The Director-General and Peter Riordan, Deputy Director-General, Corporate Services have inspected the Bush Campus site. All is working well at the site and it has exceeded expectations. Terry McKinnon reported that the kids have been in the classrooms since day 1 of the term and that the teachers are very positive. He acknowledged that there has been a lack of technology but that computers and projectors were being delivered this week along with iPads, CCTV and photocopier. A tour of the campus will be conducted when all building work is finished. Meetings are being set to discuss the chicken coup and vegetable gardens.

#### **Music/Clubs/Scripture**

A new online process has been established for enrolment in music, clubs and scripture. As it is a new system, there have been some teething problems. Any feedback on the online process should be emailed to Tim Dodds or Su Hill at the school.

5. **Correspondence:** Nil.
6. **P&C Treasurer's Report:** AW presented his report. **Motion:** That accounts totalling \$4 208.00, as listed in the Treasurer's report to the meeting are approved for payment. Moved by John Burgess. Seconded by Joe Grundy. Motion passed.

7. **Sub-Committee Reports:**

Canteen Committee: Sally presented her report (attached). SS welcomed Matthew Woods to the committee and thanked Isabelle Orr for her work on the committee in 2013.

Uniform Shop: Christine presented her report (attached). **Motion:** That the uniform shop saves \$15,000 per year of its own profits to help raise funds to reinvest money back into its business.

There was discussion about the inclusion of a site for the Uniform Shop as a part of the Masterplan. JB proposed that the Uniform Shop should be a top priority. Tim Dodds to find an alternative location while the plan is under development and to report back to the next meeting. The motion was withdrawn.

Grounds Committee: Brett presented his report (attached). **Motion:** To accept quotation for replacing the shade cloth at the school sandpit. Moved Brett Backhouse. Seconded Mark Twyman. Motion passed.

8. AW presented the budget for 2014 (attached) and it was accepted by the meeting. JB thanked AW for 6 years of commitment to the P&C.
9. **Outstanding items from November Minutes:** Nil.
10. **President's Report :** JB proposed to raise the P&C voluntary contribution from \$180 to \$185. This was discussed and the meeting voted to accept the rise by \$5. JB to put a letter in the school newsletter explaining to parents how the contributions are used.

**School Masterplan**

Lee Hughes presented an update on the school Masterplan. The committee wants to work with the school on short, medium and long term strategies to improve the school. This will be an evolving plan. The committee will be Terry McKinnon, Brett Backhouse, Nigel Justins and Lee Hughes. They will be seeking involvement from other people and a notice will be placed in the school newsletter seeking ideas, comments, suggestions etc.

11 **Other Business:**

**School Ramp Update.** Work to commence in the April holidays on the construction of a ramp at the Jenkins Street entrance to the school as part of the Community Building Grant.

**School Bus proposal:** Discussion of possibilities for a P&C funded school bus service in the local area to help reduce traffic congestion at the school. Further discussion at the next P&C meeting.

**After School Care:** Discussion of issues with the change in the provider for the After school Care service.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 10.43pm.

**Next meeting Tuesday 25 March 2014 at 7.30pm**