

Parents and Citizens of Cambewarra Public School





Committed to Public Education

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

DATE/TIME: Monday 20th November 2017/ 2:00pm- 3:00pm

Attendance and apologies

Apologies: John Bond, Rebecca Sztachanski, Jacinta Donaldson, Vanessa Field, Alice Parnell, Zanna Elliott, Karrissa Corsaro, Jane Hughes and Roz Phillips.

Present: Nichole Biggs, Amanda Poulton, Erin Simmich, Susan Lukes, Glenda Maher, Bec Johnson, Jess McNamara, Tabitha Booth, Jane Elliot and Emma Chalker.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting were tabled and accepted.

Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Tabitha reported on:

- Cold water outlets at the school with council. A solution may not be financially feasible and a grant was recommended by council to be able to go ahead.
- Outdoor Adventure Play Ground. All 9 members present were in agreement that it was a great idea and discussed the advantages. Emma agreed to take it to the teachers. Continued discussion and investigation of other schools was agreed. It will also be proposed by Emma at the three year planning meeting.

Principal's Report

Emma Chalker, representing the principal, covered the following points:

- Grandparents day was a big success with a large turnout
- Kindy orientation went well with the new format a big success. The donation of a school uniform by the P&C was gratefully acknowledged. 51 kindy kids are enrolled for 2018
- Only 9 surveys have been returned they will be readvertsied as parents may have missed the link in the newsletter and
 promoted on presentation day. The P&C will donate a xmas hamper as an incentive prize for one lucky completed survey.
 Proposed by Amanda Poulton, seconded by Rebecca Johnson
- \$10,000 donated by the P&C earlier this year will enable a number of professional development opportunities for teachers.
- Book prizes are needed for the presentation. Nichole advised the school usually requests donations Julia will know.
- The Presentation Day timings were discussed.
- 2018 is projected to be 13 classes. Five positions will be advertised and current casuals are being encouraged to apply. A
 librarian and four teacher positions will be filled by transfers and merit selection.
- A 1st day at school photo for kindy kids was tabled. This was a P&C initiative at Berry Public that could be considered.

Canteen Report

Amanda reported the canteen has been losing money on a weekly basis and is not proving viable. The P&C has tried to keep it going in its current form but for a number of reasons have been unsuccessful. She acknowledged the time and efforts contributed by many people over the past two years. Nichole noted that Cambewarra Public School has had difficulty over many years running a

profitable canteen. Jane is going to use up existing stocks over the next few weeks and finish up in Week 9 with a sausage sizzle for the fun day in. Remaining pizza stocks will be used for the Year 6 Farewell.

A tender document was tabled for discussion and this may be trialed in Term 1 2018. If an interested party can't be found to tender, the option to run a monthly special will be considered. Tender option is on hold until further discussions with John Bond.

COOSH Report

Tabitha requested COOSH parents be invited to the COOSH subcommittee meetings.

Treasurer's Report Bank Accounts at 20 Nov 17

P&C / Fair \$33,000 Coosh \$71,715

The P&C donates money to the school to be spent iaw the priorities determined at the school's expenditure meetings. Vicky Turner emphasised at the September P&C meeting that this ensures money is spent wisely. Bec Johnson proposed the \$23,000 raised at the 2017 Calf and Craft Fair be donated to the school. Seconded by Glenda Mahr.

P&C will agree on a plan for the money held in the COOSH account next meeting.

Fundraising Report

A mufti / bring a 'thing' day will be held on 1 Dec for the Xmas Hampers to be raffled. Helpers are requested to put the hampers together on the Big Fun Day In.

Uniform Shop Report

Nil.

Other Business

Jane has put in an enormous amount of energy and passion to run the canteen for the last two years and Amanda proposed the P&C give her a xmas hamper in appreciation of her efforts. Seconded by Bec Johnson

Amanda requested the school acknowledge the P&C donations at the presentation day events. Donations for 2017 will total \$38,000. Funds to date have been spent on:

- a computer charging station and security hub (\$5000)
- teacher professional development, kindy interactive desk trial & waterslides (\$10,000) and
- to be determined (\$23,000)

Next Meeting: 2-3pm Week 3 Term 1 2018

The meeting closed at 3:00 pm