

**WILLOUGHBY PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C
MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING**

19th May 2010

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

ATTENDEES: Rosina Blake, Julianne Nash-Smith, Penny Hackett, Sarah Boyd, Janice Choy, Mandy Viol, Fiona Whitten, Janet Young, Catherine Radford, Andrew McMichan, Lynn Donohue, Jono Herrman, Andrea Bell, Lara Brayshaw, Tracey Redwood, Kate Goulston.

APOLOGIES: Carmel Paterson, Lisa Williams, David Trevena.

2. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

CONFIRMED

3. ADOPTION OF MEETING AGENDA

1o Lynne Donohue , 2o Penny Hackett

CARRIED

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 3rd March 2010 to be confirmed.

1o Penny Hackett , 2o Sarah Boyd

MINUTES CONFIRMED

5. BUSINESS ARISING

None.

6. SCHOOL EXECUTIVE REPORT,

Provided by Patricia Petterson.

- Thanks to Michelle Verhagen for doing a fantastic job in Patricia Petterson's absence.
- Year 6 camp to Canberra was a big success; Year 5 camp has set off today.
- New school website in development. Will be much easier to maintain and develop. Due for implementation soon.
- NAPLAN testing went smoothly, with no problems.
- A significant sum of money has been raised for a terminally ill kindergarten child (with Duchesne's disease) which will send the whole family to Disneyland.
- Roof was due to go on this week, but was rain-delayed. Otherwise building works are progressing well, and on track.
- Band camp planned for 31st May.
- School's 2009 Annual Report has been sent out by email. Congratulations to everyone involved in producing it.
- Almost \$3000 was raised for Stewart House. A note will be put in the newsletter explaining that this charity is our main focus for fund-raising for by children.
- Interviews are underway for 2 new permanent teachers.
- A maths information evening will be held at the school on 16th June, 6:30-7:30pm. An external consultant is coming to talk to parents about how to help their kids with maths. Last time a similar event was held the turnout was almost 300 people, so expectations are for good attendance.

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7. P&C EXECUTIVE REPORT

Provided by Rosina Blake

- Attendance at the Welcome Disco far exceeded expectations, and the night was a great success. Issues arose to do with managing catering which will to be addressed in future years to ensure the event remains a success.
- Sponsorship has been sought from, and given by Ray White Willoughby in an amount of \$10,000, plus an additional \$2,000 for each new listing from the school community.
- The annual major fundraising event has been booked for Saturday 4th September. Venue has been booked – Norths' Leagues Club. Four year 3 parents have come forward to volunteer their time to organize it. Format still to be determined.

8. AGENDA ITEMS

- *Development of new P&C website.* General discussion about the new website which is under development, how it will work, what the functionality will be.
- *Ethics trial for non-scripture students.* General discussion about a trial being offered at some schools, where non-scripture kids in years 5 and 6 are being offered an ethics program as an alternative to activities which are usually scheduled for children not attending scripture. The lessons are run by trained volunteers. Is this something that is likely to be offered at Willoughby PS?
- *Chess Club.* WPS has always had an official chess co-ordinator, this year it is Fran Graham. It was decided to relaunch the chess club, and 2 weeks ago over 80 kids turned up to the launch, a response which far exceeded expectations. The following week 50 kids turned up, even with year 5 missing, so it seems like there is keen interest. Lots of chess sets have been donated. There are options to have external tutoring, professional coaching.
- *Lost property shelving.* Follow up from last meeting. The request for shelving has been withdrawn for the moment, as the current system using bags seems to be working.

9. TREASURER'S REPORT

Provided by Catherine Radford.

Cash balance available at beginning of May was \$101,000

As at 19.5.2010 cash balance is now \$91,000.

10. FUNDRAISING REPORT

Provided by Rosina Blake

Date set for the major fundraiser is Saturday 4th September. A committee is being formed to organise it – no news on progress yet.

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11. CORRESPONDENCE IN & OUT

IN:

- Two quotations for replacing the lighting in the assembly hall, sourced by Tony
- Registration papers received for the 2010 P&C Federation Annual Conference, which is being held in Parramatta on 23-25 July 2010.

OUT:

- Application submitted for a grant \$5000 from Woolworths on behalf of the rugby club.
- Invitations to all local real estate agents inviting sponsorship.

12. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

12.1 BAND

Provided by Lynne Donohue

- As tabled.

12.2 SCHOOL CANTEEN

Provided by Carmel Paterson

- As tabled.

12.3 NETBALL

Provided by Tracey Redwood

- WPS Netball Club has 11 teams registered including two new Under 8 teams.
- Season commenced with a successful Gala Day on 28th March
- Several parents attended the umpiring and coaching clinics run by the NSNA.
- We co-ordinated two clinics run by Anne Sargeant and they were attended by most Club members.
- Due to the unavailability of courts at School because of the building works, we have had to hire courts for training purposes. This has proved problematic as we were advised at the last minute that the Willoughby Leisure Centre courts we had booked in January were in fact booked with other Schools. Training has taken place at Naremburn courts and even Chatswood High School (too far to travel). Some teams are now training at Club Willoughby's grass courts, which are run by the Council and are less than satisfactory due to the markings having worn off within two weeks. The Council has agreed to re-paint.
- The Club organised an excursion for families to see the NSW Swifts play the Melbourne Vixens at Acer Arena on 2 May.
- Currently in Week 5 of competition.

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12.4 RUGBY

Provided by Andrew McMichan

- Senior boys have been training since the beginning of the term.
- The Senior Boys played a pre match game at SFS against Mosman Prep last weekend. The game was a 15 all draw which was a good result against a team that was older a play together regularly. Everyone enjoyed the night.
- We have moved into the 2nd Round of the Bryan Palmer Shield after a forfeit by Avoca. We are now due to play the winner of Kincumber & Valley View.
- Randwick Y5-6 Gala day has been postponed due to wet weather. We will participate in the rescheduled date if it does not clash with other school events
- 3 x Junior and 3 x Senior Teams will enter the Gordon Gala day at the end of term 3
- Juniors will also play in the Randwick Y3-4 Gala day in September
- We are unable to play in both Warringah and Manly Gala those days were not practical.
- Shorts & socks have been ordered. Deposit paid.

12.5 UNIFORM SHOP

No report provided.

13. SCHOOL COUNCIL REPORT

No report provided.

14. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Lara Brayshaw and a few others are hoping to organise a Bledisloe Cup fundraiser on Saturday 7th August, with an inflatable screen on the oval to show the rugby. Likely profit of about \$6000, half to be donated to the family of a child in Kindergarten with a terminal illness. A vote was taken, and approval was given for a budget of up to \$6000 to make the event happen.

MEETING DURATION

Meeting commenced : 7:30 pm

Meeting closed : 9:35 pm.

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