# **Dee Why Public School P&C Association**

## Meeting 01/08/18 Minutes

### **DISCUSSION & AGENDA:**

### • Welcome and introduction to new members – Juan

- The committee all shared our own thoughts on important values of the P&C community. These included: inclusion, respect, everyone feeling open to sharing their opinion, equality, transparency, belonging, kindness, looking to the future, environment, community and opportunity to participate in our childrens' education.

Juan raised the topic of recruiting new members and making sure that all members are financial/voting members. All members are reminded that if you have not yet paid your gold coin please do so at the next meeting and Taryn will bring her list.

#### Attendance

- Mark Chaffer, Principal; Juan Duvanced, President; Rachel Applewhite, Secretary; Heather Cervantes; Elaine Timmer; Wendy Bourne; Rachael Jackson; Jason Kioko; Carla Hall

## Apologies

- Taryn Childs; Kathie Palamara

### Minutes of last meeting

- Approved by Heather, Seconded by Wendy

Jason would like to have it mentioned in the minutes that unfortunately Cass DH did not win the Westfield Local Hero Award.

## • Principal's Report - July 2018

### Staff Development Day

- On the 23rd of July over 450 teachers and staff attended a day long presentation at the Dee Why RSL about teacher and staff wellbeing. There were many positive outcomes from this and plenty of good feedback.

### K-2 Life Skills Program

- This term our K-2 students have been participating in a life skills program. It's great for the kids, helping them relax and giving them tools to cope with stress and the busy world we live in.

#### School News

#### Book Week

- Book week is next week. We are looking forward to seeing all the great costumes the kids and parents come up with!

## • Reports & Updates

## Presidents Report

- Executive committee had a meeting earlier in the week and discussed the possibility of increasing Kathie Palamara's pay from 26 hours per week to 27. This extra hour would be to cover the 30 minutes she takes each week to go to the bank and the other 30 minutes would accumulate to cover any meetings out of work hours. All members are in agreement of this proposal.
- We discussed that there needs to be more communication and transparency and unity between executives and committee members. Rachael J has asked that we please consider 3-6H before any future canteen changes.

### • Social Committee/Fundraising

## Father's Day

- RSVP forms will be sent out on Friday. Kindy parent forms have already gone out. P&C and school will be paying 50% of the cost each for the BBQ to make it a free event for families.
- Lions Club will cook BBQ from 7:45am. Mark C will be around chatting to families. Band, Dance Sport, Choir and Strings will all be performing on the morning, We're hoping to get them started from 8:00am.

Adrian "The Coffee Man" is a past parent and will be there also with his coffee van if parents would like to buy a coffee.

- Kindergarten parents are to be reminded that food is to be brought to the school no later than 2:30pm on Thursday
- Rachael J has asked if everyone is fine with the Lions Club accepting donations on the day, all are in agreement.
- Elaine has offered to help updating posters closer to the date.
- Move to approve a \$200 budget for the event by Rachel A, seconded Heather
- Thanks to Jason K for all your help with past BBQs, this time you can have the morning off to enjoy it with your kids.

### Canteen

- Kathie has been in discussion with various teachers. They have suggested having compost bins in each classroom. These have already been purchased by Mr O'Brien so this will need to be

actioned and supported by all teachers at the school.

There is a small bin for recyclable used drink containers in the canteen.

- The canteen will aim to remove/reduce
- \* Plastic straws gone
- \* Tomato Sauce Sachets gone once box is finished. Sauces will be available in bottles on the canteen counter at no cost to students
- \* Jelly will not be restocked once current supplies are used
- \* Soft plastic wrapped items (pies and sausage rolls) reducing the days they are available then eventually they will be removed from menu
- \* Soy sauce sachets No longer in lunch order bags, children can collect them from the canteen if required

## • Sustainability Update

- Prior to the next meeting the sustainability team will meet and discuss strategy and work out short and long term goals.

## Wheeler Heights School Tour

- A tour of Wheeler Heights PS will be happening in September. They will only be letting a limited amount of people come and visit, Elaine is trying to see if she can get a few more in.

Meeting closed 8:45pm

Next meeting 5th September 7.30pm in the School Library

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