

General Meeting – Minutes

Meeting Date & Time: Tuesday 9 March 2021, 7.00pm

Meeting Location: Zoom - Nicholson Street Public School

Attendees: Sandy Pedley, Hayes Montgomery, Andrew Robinson, Bec Clarke, Kirsten Gleichman, Taylor Moore, Rosie Malcolm, Sue Ross, Sarah Straker Williams, Mark Beeley, Carly Freel, Larni Malcolm, Todd Buncombe, Julia Fairley, Devina Solanki, Geoff Watkins

Apologies: Ashley McGrath

	Topic	Person Responsible
1.0	Meeting Opened & Welcome New Members: <i>Alice Bradbury</i>	Sandy Pedley
2.0	Approval of November Meeting Minutes - <i>The minutes from the previous meeting were confirmed as accurate by Committee.</i>	Sandy Pedley
3.0	Welcome Dinner	
	Welcome Dinner - <i>Carly talked about the Welcome Dinner and encouraged all to attend.</i>	Carly Freel
4.0	Outdoor Learning Sub-Committee	
4.1	Solar Power- <i>Everything has gone to the Department of Education. We are now waiting for Assets. Sue confirmed that Term 2 is when it looks as though things will be actioned. It's a big project across NSW. There will be a lot of government loopholes and procedures that we will need to follow. We will be contacted next term to be told when it will happen for us.</i>	Hayes Montgomery
4.2	Outdoor Sports Area- <i>The plan has been shared and we have had feedback on it. We have had quotes and have put the funds on notice. This will still need to go through to Assets. Sue confirmed that for us, as a school and for the P&C, we are better off going through the right channels to manage this properly.</i> <i>We could manage it ourselves but it would be very time-consuming. Sue would prefer for Assets to manage it and she will submit this straight away. It wouldn't be in</i>	Hayes Montgomery

	<p><i>the upcoming school holidays but could potentially be next term. This is a simpler project as there will be no changes to outdoor structures, so hopefully it should be an easier project for them to push through. .</i></p> <p><i>Sue does not feel comfortable managing this project as she does not have the time to do this. We need to make sure it is done correctly. She will continue to speak to Assets.</i></p> <p><i>Sue said we should have an estimate on timing, before the end of term. We are waiting for approval from them, that we are following things correctly. Sue said she will continue to chase them.</i></p>	
4.3	<p>COLA- <i>Sue confirmed that \$150 is the estimated total.</i></p> <p><i>\$90k will not be from the school – rather from The Department of Assets Grant (the grant which Sue applied for – for a ‘playground upgrade’)</i></p> <p><i>\$60k will be from the P&C</i></p> <p><i>Sarah suggested we keep our investment the same and potentially upgrade the sun shades.</i></p> <p><i>Department of Assets has given Sue another contact today, in relation to this –Aaron with the Capital Works Program. Sue will call and follow this up. She also suggested that office staff could potentially call once a week to see where we are.</i></p>	Hayes Montgomery
5.0	Funding Requests and Required Decisions	
5.1	<p>Multi-sports court upgrade– <i>There are some timing challenges around the surface upgrade. Despite that, we would like to approve this so we can move forward.</i></p> <p><i>Kirsten asked re money in the bank. Larni confirmed that we should end up with around \$70k at the end of the year after all the projects this year.</i></p> <p><i>Sue confirmed that this surface upgrade is something that the school wants. It’s a quick gain and a great thing for the school to have. It will be a great upgrade</i></p> <p><i>The motion was approved.</i></p>	Hayes Montgomery

6.0	Help Needed	
6.1	<p>Help is needed with the following– Please get in touch with Carly or Ash if there is anything that you can help with:</p> <p><i>Creative and Performing Arts Program</i></p> <p><i>Lunch Supplier Review</i></p> <p><i>Working Bee</i></p> <p><i>Cross Country Fundraiser</i></p> <p><i>Easter Fundraiser and Events</i></p> <p><i>Mothers’ Day Long Lunch</i></p>	Carly Freel
7.0	Reports	
8.1	<p>Treasurer’s Report - <i>The position that we are presenting today is a bit different to what we presented last month.</i></p> <p><i>We can't spend all the money we want with the delay so we have moved some of the expenses further out.</i></p> <p><i>We have adjusted the fundraising amounts down a little – we did have a really ambitious target and the first part of the year is a hard time to gain momentum. We are also under on the expense side so the net position is good.</i></p> <p><i>February was a relatively quiet month. Uniform expenses were high, as were uniform sales which is typical at this time of year.</i></p>	Larni Malcolm
8.2	<p>Principal’s Report-</p> <p><i>Thank you for a strong start to the year. Thank you to the uniform shop helpers who come in each week.</i></p> <p><i>Sydney Theatre Company will be starting at the school in Term 2. This will be very exciting</i></p>	Sue Ross

	<p><i>Iron Cove Performing Arts Festival happening this year from for local schools – from our school to Russell Lea and Five Dock. This will happen in Term 3. They are looking at venues and the schools have to nominate performance groups.</i></p> <p><i>The Strategic Improvement Plan has to be signed off by the end of this month. Sue will send this plan to the P&C Exec next Monday for thoughts.</i></p> <p><i>Parking outside the school –we had police at the school last week to say that they will be monitoring the parking situation outside the school.</i></p> <p><i>We have our School Crossing Supervisor Position advertised again for the third time.</i></p>	
9.0	Any other Business	
9.1	None	Hayes Montgomery
10.0	<p>Meeting Closed:</p> <p><i>Next Meeting: Tuesday 11 May at 7pm. Via Zoom</i></p>	Ashley McGrath