Illaroo Road Public School P & C General Meeting

Attendance: As per attendance book.
Apologies: As per attendance book
Date: Tuesday 9th December 2014
Venue: Illaroo Road Public School

Nominations for President: Tess Thomas, accepted by general acclamation
Nominations for Vice President: Debbie Abello Moved Karen Woods, Seconded by Andrew McVey accepted by general acclamation
No nominations for second Vice President
Nomination for Fundraising coordinator: Stacey Beetson, accepted by general acclamation
Meeting opened at 19.07

Subject/Description

Item No

1 Apologies – per attendance book

Ratify Minutes –
Minutes of the 11th November 2014 meeting were accepted.
Moved by Karen Woods, Seconded by Debbie Abello

Matters Arising

(a) School Representative Team Sports Shirts
Pricing for shirts that will fulfil our needs is $2586.54 Moved by Adam Hodgkins that we go ahead with purchase and seconded by Debbie Abello.

(b) Shade Sale over sandpit
Plan to re-apply for funding. Item to be carried over to next meeting.

Guest Speaker: John Dunstan
Music an absence in education in Australia for a long time – passion to bring music into school as helps students in all academic areas, combines analytical and creative sides. Children introduced early picks up subject very quickly. Feels a band program is very valuable for performance skills, entertainment, cognitive skills. John has been sourcing band instruments from sources.
Graham Tink: Band will be a priority at IRPS. All children will be involved. Possible cost for establishment: Musical instruments, music scores, pay tutors, stands. $10 000.

Items for Discussion:

1 School’s Strategic Plan

(2) Ventilation issue in Infants toilets and adjacent classroom smell of urine, especially impacting on 2F. Letter tabled by Damian and Lorraine Tucker. In last 12 months school has had the floor of toilets sealed and walls painted to prevent moisture. Plumbers out on three occasions. Four emergency cleans by Menzies cleaners who also replaced cleaner who is now enthusiastic and diligent. Daily check by executive staff who feel smell has decreased since new cleaner started one week ago. Contacted school maintenance to see if a roof vent can be installed. Also include a school education program for the boys.

Consider external shade over some of the widows to reduce heat. – will be an on-going issues. School council will consider issue and will keep P & C informed.

Fundraising Activities
 Principal’s Report. – see attached
Congratulations on the smooth running of the uniform shop.

Three strategic directions
(1) Strong foundations for numeracy and literacy
(2) Student well-being
(3) High engagement through quality teaching

P & C Funding priorities:
School band music and dance program
Sustainable frog pond and sensory garden refurbishment to be used as a learning tool
Kind resources upgrade
Classroom resource audit and upgrade
Technology – tablets already $20 000 committed.
Cover over the sand pit

Will re-present at February meeting after further consultation with staff.

Fundraising suggested schedule –

Graham to consider a coffee morning twice a term for parents to come and have an informal chat, build school community and increase school involvement.

Karen Woods moved that added to the voluntary contribution at start of year be section that parents can also donate to the school music and creative arts program seconded by Sandra Turnell accepted by general acclamation.

Mel Allen suggested that school Bulletin include a statement that school has a Facebook page.

Treasurer’s Report – see attached
Error in total stock recorded. Once we get approval from auditor an adjustment be made to reflect accurate total of stock.
Budget presented, income reflects usual fund raising incomes. Budgeted $27 000 for pledge.
Will be adjusted when P & C receives final funding priorities from school. Overall conservative budget with flexibility.
Moved by Adam Hodgkin and seconded Bernie Morris

School will receive a $200 cheque from Bendigo Bank from school banking to be presented at a school assembly.

Canteen Report – tabled by Lesley McKinnon
Running stock down for end of year. Extra lights and cameras to be installed over holidays.
Urgent need for volunteers like to see more people involved in school canteen. Will try new menu items next year.

Correspondence - see attached
Emailed by Sherry Wearne

Uniform Shop – Rachel Larsen tabled
Excellent monthly sales $10 123 not including cost of sales. P & C to consider including A line sport skirt with shorts, buying for $11 and sell for $16. Moved by Rachel that they be ordered in Seconded by Sherry. Passed by general acclamation. Struggling for volunteers recruited some but need more.

General Business
P & C representative needed for the school council. Tess Thomas will be the representative.

Meeting closed at 2115

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 10th 2015
P&C President