

Barrenjoey High School
P&C Association
Wednesday 21st February, 2018

MINUTES

Meeting opened at 6:00pm

ATTENDEES: Ian Bowsher, Kalinda Hawson, Peter Thompson, Sally Mayman, Cilla Cole, Nicki Inger, Christy Bishop, Andrew Grunseit, Mel Couston, Clare Hawkins, Sheridan Binns, Jenny Slavic, Jacqui Gill, Dan Goolee

APOLOGIES: nil

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: minutes from 1st November mtg approved by Peter Thompson, seconded by Sally Mayman

CORRESPONDENCE: Nil

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (Ian):

- 2018 a big year
 - 50th Anniversary
 - Second DP confirmed (Sarah James)
 - Ninth head teacher appointed (funded by school; not DoE)
 - 722 students enrolled.
 - 52.5 staffing entitlement
 - 54.8 staffing requirement
 - The difference is funded by the school
- 2019 Year 7 Year Advisor will be Tara Dwyer
- Stage 5 Results (end of Year 10)
 - Based on all subjects, internal testing and assessment; no external test
 - 82% in top 3 bands. This is substantially (6%) higher than the State
 - 49% in top 2 bands
 - 52 students received six or more of their results in the top 2 grades.
- HSC Results
 - Best results we have seen in 49 years
 - 11.1% of students had Band 6 results (61 results)
 - Of 106 candidates, 29 received results in the top band
 - 16 students placed in the top band for multiple courses
 - 7 students scored almost perfect marks
 - 25 students received all their results in the top 2 bands
 - 61 Band 6's across 23 subjects
 - 16 students had an ATAR of 90 or above. A further 15 students had an ATAR of between 80 and 90.
 - 50 students had an ATAR of 70 or above
 - Significant correlation between Senior Study room access, REC awards and ATAR
- Other
 - Garden and grounds maintained

- New dark room constructed (well done to Sally for getting grant money for this)
- WiFi upgrade (cabling and switches upgraded – 81 new WAPS and a server installed)
- 50% of new roofing completed
- New printers and photocopiers
- Pedestrian fencing installed
- Flexible learning space in C block
- Installation of 35K laser cutter for TAS
- Gender Initiative
 - Positive welfare entries approximately the same for boys and for girls
 - Negative welfare entries significantly higher for boys than for girls. Impact on GPA's (mostly for years 8,9,10,,11)
 - Focusing on Year 10
 - 5 core classes with 20-22 students each.
 - 1 co-ed extension class in English, Maths, Science and History/Geography
 - 4 gender specific classes (2 boys and 2 girls) in English, Maths, Science and History/Geography
 - BHS will host a Boy's Education conference on 5th April
- Emotional Health Website completed
 - Is on front tile of BHS website (Emotional Health @ Barrenjoey)
 - Will be integrated into health lessons next term
- Youth Hub: will be able to form a space (hopefully in Avalon) funded by Council funds where students or parents can go and seek a referral to a number of services

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Kalinda):

- **Working Bee Term 3 – Saturday 7th April** (after Easter)
- **Fundraising**
 - **Colour Run** – 9 March 2018. Encourage student to participate. Local public schools are all invited
 - **Bricks** – final bricks to be put in shortly then an announcement in PP – thank you to David and Jordan for their wonderful work.
 - **BCPS** – Loan required to start the build.
 - We have 1.308M. Quantity Surveyor has estimated 1.6M. We need to find another 300K.
 - If we modify concept drawing / design we can get down to 1.45M (ie: we would need 150K loan). Architect and Quantity Surveyor are working to ascertain what changes will need to be made and what the end result will look like
 - We need to fund the whole amount before building can start.
 - Motion “That the Barrenjoey High School P&C will borrow the remaining funds needed up to \$300,000 to start the building of the Barrenjoey Community Performance Space”.
 - Motion was seconded by Christy
 - Ian spoke for the motion: If we borrow 150K at current rate (5.47%) we will pay it back in approx. 8 years.
 - Kalinda spoke for the motion: If we keep putting off the decision, the total price will continue to increase.
 - Nobody spoke against the motion.
 - Vote was held: unanimous ‘yes’ vote. Nobody voted against.

- Thank you to the Class of 1977 for providing \$1000 from the 40 Year Reunion. The monies have gone towards the House Points signage for students.
- **Cookbook** – Exciting and well under way. Sally to discuss
- **50th Committee** – Claire Delaney, Sharyn Berry, Kalinda Hawson, Chelsey Baker, Georgia Wayling, Ian Bowsher, John Stone, Andrew Grunseit/Col Thomson, Ella Couston, Beatrix Twibill-Hall.
 - Already have four events in planning stage. Colour Run (9/Mar), Golden Ball (29/Sept), Concert (Term 2) and Night Market & Fireworks (Term 4)
- **Open Night** Coming up! Monday 26 February
- **New Parent Evening** Tomorrow night (Thurs 22/Feb)! Starts at 5pm.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Cilla):

- P&C carried over \$66,285
- Add grant of \$8000 (Sally Colley dark room grant)
- Plus interest and less expenses 2018:
- Balance in P&C is \$73,975
- Building fund carried over \$234,803
- Add fundraising income from buy a brick and interest less expenses 2018 = \$833
- Balance in Building is \$235,726.
- Student Insurance renewal: Discussion on whether this policy should be retained or not; unclear as to whether it is financially justifiable to retain it. It was agreed that discussion would be suspended until next meeting.



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Balance Sheet BHS
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P&C SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Band Committee (Nicki):

Concert band kicked off its 2018 season with rehearsals beginning in Wk 2. We already have 14 newly enrolled Year 7 players this year with instruments ranging across brass (trumpets and a trombone), woodwind (clarinet, flutes, saxophones) and percussion.

We wanted to move Concert Band rehearsals this year from Tuesday evenings (6:30pm – 8pm) and Fridays after school (3:30pm – 4:30pm) to Tuesday evenings and Thursday mornings, with the Friday after school rehearsals to be set aside for Jazz Combo, however Thursday morning hall time clashed with other activities so we have reverted to our last year's rehearsal schedule for the time being until we can review alternatives.

Josh has released his proposed repertoire for Concert and the band has already started rehearsing one of the new pieces.

We have decided to reduce the fee structure for Year 12 students given that as they move closer to the HSC, it becomes more difficult to find the time to justify external engagements such as Band. Band values the Year 12s enormously for their leadership and mentoring skills and we want to retain them for as long as possible. So we have decided to reduce the fees for Year 12s to just \$75 for as long as they remain with band.

First performance of the year will be at Open Night on the 26th February and band parents will also be running the sausage sizzle. We will then need to start rehearsing pieces for ANZAC Day which falls on the second week of the School holidays.

Canteen & Uniform Store (Kalinda):

- \$10,000 available to move from Canteen & Uniform Store to P&C. Putting on hold for the time being.
- New products introduced into the canteen are doing very well.

Barrenjoey Performance Space Steering Committee (Kristy):

- Busy doing milestone reports for grants

Cook Book (Sally):

- Cookbook is being kept simple – every chapter has its own background (simpler to locate the various sections when you open the book)
- Students doing the cooking are doing well, especially with the photography. TAS staff doing a great job.
- Trying to get sponsor pages. \$1000 for double page spread and \$700 for single page. Targeting “food” people/businesses. Currently have 5 sponsors.
- Working towards mid-September deadline so it will be ready for the 50th anniversary celebrations.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Andrew Grunseit – Solar Proposal

- \$50,000 grant from Sustainability Group has come through
- Proposal now goes to tender.
- Approx \$98,000 needed. Shortfall of 48K
- Need to fund 48K for solar panels via loan. Westpac loan rates competitive (5.47%)
- Would be paid back out of school funding of monies saved from electricity savings
- Solar panels on D Block and Canteen roofs. May be up and running by the end of the year (6 weeks to install depending on who gets the tender).

Minutes from 14th February special meeting via email



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Meeting closed at 7:40pm

Next Meeting Wed 21st March 2018