

Barrenjoey High School
P&C Association
Wednesday 5th December, 2018

MINUTES

Meeting opened at 6:20pm

ATTENDEES: Ian Bowsher, Kalinda Hawson, Peter Thompson, Sally Mayman, Simon Bateson, Sam Bateson, Nicki Inger, Christy Bishop, Sheridan Binns, Beatriz Skene, Cheryl Roger

APOLOGIES: Cilla Cole, Susie Thompson, Di Cutrie, Claire Delaney, Clare Hawkins

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from 7th November meeting approved by Peter Thompson, seconded by Christy Bishop.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Email received from Jenny Slavec thanking the School and in particular Ian and Kalinda for the last 6 years

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (Ian):

- Thank you to the people involved in the Yr 6 orientation day. Yr 6 enjoyed it enormously.
- Yrs 7, 8, 9, 10 are all receiving their reports from Monday onwards.
- Nic Newling event (postponed because of poor weather) is now on tomorrow night; 315 people are attending
- HSC results are due out Thurs 13th Dec; ATAR results due out Fri 14th Dec
- Achievement Night Monday 17th Dec
- 2019
 - Student numbers still increasing
 - Teaching staff leaving: Laraine Rawling, Robyn Horvath, Col Thomson, Ziggy Mirza, Deb Watt, Felicity Kersten, Genevieve McConnell
 - Michelle Mackay and Bernadette Rue are taking on the Senior Study
 - Sarah Harwood has been offered the permanent position in English (left vacant by Sarah P)
 - Applications for the Library position closed today
- This year, the school received 240K in Faculty Fees, 40K in School Contribution, 60K from P&C. Approximately 75% of the school community paid their fees. This allows us to offer variety of additional programs and to be as successful as we are. For example, Senior Study costs approx. 160K/yr in staffing costs, Extra Learning Support approx. 100K, Technology support/Google Suite, etc. The DoE does not pay for these; we need to fund ourselves.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Kalinda):

- Parent Information Night – Year 7 2019 will have around 156 students. This is a massive year group and very exciting for the school.
- Budget Meeting – Thank you to Christy Bishop and Cilla Cole for their time at budget meeting
- Farewell and thank you to: Sally Mayman, Susie Thompson, Peter Thompson, Mel Couston, Kath Gunn (but she is staying for the Canteen & Uniform Store as bookkeeper), Kate McGilchrist, Jenny Slavec. All have been amazing to the P&C committee over the years, secretarial skills, representing us at many, many evenings and being incredible advocates for the school.

2019 Budget Meeting

2019 Budget Meeting held on 27th Nov 2018. Attendees were Kalinda, Cilla, Christy, Ian

The proposed 2019 budget presented by Kalinda:



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2019 draft.xlsx

- Rolling over \$81,208 from 2018
- Estimated 2019 income \$135,150
- Proposed 2019 expenditure \$180,550
- Carry forward to 2020 \$35,808

Budget Items Highlighted/Discussed:

- 30K for internal furnishing of BCPS and 5K for launch
- Proposed the purchase of a Gazebo for \$560 from Buffalo Technology. All agreed to the proposal (by show of hands). Purchase approved.
- BHS Promotional Video (10K) to document all events that happen during the school year.

Motion: "That the 2019 P&C Budget as proposed by the Budget subcommittee be accepted"

Motion seconded by Nicki Inger

Vote held: unanimous 'yes' vote. Nobody voted against.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Cilla):

No Treasurer's report

P&C SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Band Committee (Nicki):

Band Report

Band this year has been in transition from a more seniors centred band to one where students in Years 7-9 now make up the majority of our ensemble, and this trend is expected to continue next year as current Year 12s leave and Band becomes almost entirely composed of years 7-10. This is not necessarily a bad thing, so long as we can hang on to our more senior players; but it does highlight the difficulties inherent in running a combined 7-12 Band program where we have to strike a balance between catering for our younger members yet keeping our more talented seniors engaged. Band numbers remain steady at around 45, which is not quite enough to establish a junior and senior ensemble; so what we will be concentrating on next year is resurrecting our jazz group, which requires smaller numbers and can challenge our more talented players with different styles of music.

The extent and quality of our repertoire has probably diminished somewhat as younger members have replaced seniors, particularly in the percussion section; so Band is taking longer to learn the pieces. We have also lost most of our 'bottom end' this year (tuba, euphos, bass guitar etc), which has affected what we can offer and how we can present it. On the bright side Band has stepped up to some more challenging music in the second half of this year; and we have developed a wonderful French horn section, most high schools would love to steal. Next year we have some 'bottom end' players joining Band in year 7, so the future is shaping up.

Performances this year have followed the usual pattern; ANZAC Day, Northern Beaches Festival, and all the usual School events. Unexpectedly, we were offered a Gala Performance at the Festival, for the second time in 4 years, and this was probably the highlight of our year as Josh managed to recruit some 'ring-ins' to fill our 'bottom end' and we sounded superb. Performances in the second half of the year have also continued to improve, ahead of the annual Tour, which is happening this week.

Behaviour at rehearsals has generally been good, particularly since Layne sits in and plays with Band on Tuesdays; and because he has managed to wean students away from constant attention to their mobile phones!

I have resumed as Band Director after having time off in the middle of the year; and next year I will be concentrating on pumping up our workshop and performance program, looking for more 'community' events to not only showcase Band but the School as well.

Gerry Bates
Director

Canteen & Uniform Store (Kalinda/Susie):

- 70K transferred across to P&C this year and 70K budgeted for 2019. This money goes directly back to the students and their learning.
- The Committee is grateful for all of the hard work that the staff and the volunteers have put in to manage the business
- Staffing in Canteen and Uniform Store for 2019 remaining the same
- Merchant sales are up and over the counter sales down.

Barrenjoey Performance Space Steering Committee (Christy):

- Progress report for P&C AGM 5.12. 2018
- Steering Committee member Christy Bishop,

Since its conception, the Barrenjoey Community Performance Space (BCPS) has received wide-ranging support from the NSW Government and the surrounding Barrenjoey community. With total monies raised to date of over \$1,350,000.00 (this is very approximate- details in budget.)

School contributions and ongoing community fundraising efforts contributed a total of approx. \$437,174.00 of this overall amount

Grant Funding contributions for this project have included grants from NSW Government's Stronger Communities Fund, and the Community Building Partnership Program. The latest grant funding announced this month of \$123,891 was through the NSW Government's Infrastructure Grants Program - for the fit out of the Barrenjoey Community Performance Space. Our fourth attempt!

Thanks must go to our local MP and Minister for Education Mr Rob Stokes for his tireless support for this project. We are very grateful.

Huge thanks and acknowledgement must also go to the rest of the BCPS Steering Committee team: Kim Hogarth, Cilla Cole, Richard Cole, Kalinda Hawson and Ian Bowsher. You have all contributed an enormous amount of your precious time and expertise so willingly and professionally. Thank you.

In particular I would like to single out Kim Hogarth who has been with us every step of the way through each grant application - and her children are not even still at Barrenjoey High School! An enormous and heartfelt thanks Kim. Plans for the building were finalised last month, and the building tender process is currently underway with the deadline for submissions extended to the 29th of January 2019. Once the successful Tender has been announced, plans are to start the build early in the new year, with the aim to complete later in 2019.

Updates on the progress of the building will be posted to the School's website in the new year at

www.barrenjoeyhighschool.com.au

Finally I would like to thank our tireless leader and School Principal Ian Bowsher for his incredible leadership during this project and unwavering commitment to Barrenjoey High School and our community.

Christy Bishop

BHS P&C & BCPS Steering Committee.

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GENERAL BUSINESS:

Kalinda:

Raffles held for 2018 volunteers.

1st Prize: Flourish \$100 voucher – Sally Colley

2nd Prize: Bottle of French champagne – Nikki Curtain

3rd Prize: Chocolates – Jacky Gill

Thank you to those committee members who are leaving this year. Gifts of appreciation handed out

Meeting closed at 7:00pm

Next Meeting Term 1 2019