

Barrenjoey High School
P&C Association
Wednesday 20th February, 2019

MINUTES

Meeting opened at 6:05pm

ATTENDEES: Ian Bowsher, Kalinda Hawson, Simon Bateson, Cilla Cole, Nicki Inger, Clare Hawkins, Lani Blackman, Peter Birrell, Rachel Ayliff, Cheryl Rogers, Marie Gerathy, Dan Coolee, Lisa Ambrose, Jennifer Bezuidenhoue

APOLOGIES: Christy Bishop, Sheridan Binns, Jenny Parkes, Claire Delaney

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from 5th December meeting approved by Simon Bateson, seconded by Kalinda Hawson.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Nil

Student Representative Council (Lani Blackman and Holly):

- This year there are currently approx. 65 voluntary student members of the SRC from years 7 to 12
- SRC is a student voice; they are focused on doing things for students
- Fundraising goes towards items school/students need
- In 2019 they are focused on raising the SRC profile/building the image, as well as student wellbeing
- Sub-groups focused on sustainability and charity work
- SRC meets every week, Monday lunch in the A Block Common Room

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (Ian):

- 2019 is the first year in over a decade that there have been >150 students in Year 7. There has also been an increase of approx. 50 students across Years 8-11.
- 755 students in total (524 in Yr7-10, 227 in Yr 11-12)
- Staff changes presented: Temp to Permanent, new staff. Lesley Holgersson is the new librarian
- Alison Munro is Open High School (School of Languages) coordinator. Louise Attard – ARCO
- Stage 5 results (Yr 10 2018) reviewed. School versus State. BHS results: 85.8% in the top three grades compared to 76% State results
- Yr12 2018 results reviewed. School versus State. BHS results: 86.5% in the top three grades compared to 68.9% State results.
- 2018 HSC results presented.

- 2018 Reporting statistics for Yrs 7-12 presented.
- 2019 Bell times have changed. Roll call is now at the end of period 2. All roll call year groups are now in the same area.
- The following occurred during the holidays:
 - Garden and grounds maintained
 - REC signs put up
 - Timetable issues worked on
 - Conf. screen in SCR installed
 - New D Block lockers
 - New roll call lines marked in the quad
 - Performance Space tender process expired. The builder is to be announced in the next couple of weeks.
 - Mobile Phone holders installed
 - House system signs, colours etc removed.
- Feedback very positive from both students and teachers for the new mobile phone policy / phone holders
- New 'Respect, Effort, Challenge' posters re expected behaviour at BHS have been put up around the school and in classrooms.
- Student Data Sheet prepared for staff to utilise to understand learning needs of all students in the classes. Will also assist in developing class seating plans. Contains NAPLAN data and Reports data for all students

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Kalinda):

- Working Bee 6th April, 9-12pm.
- First Aid course and CPR top up also possibly on 6th April
- Fundraising in 2018 was big: Colour Run, Night Market, Golden Ball, Cookbook. Fundraising in 2019 starting with a Trivia Night end of T2/beginning T3 (Claire Delaney organising). Still selling Cookbook (about a third sold to date). We are looking for a coordinator for the Cookbook – contact Kalinda if interested.
- Tomorrow night is the New Parent Welcome Evening in A Block. Thank you to Simon for organising the wine.
- Well done to the school for coping with all of the start of year challenges: no phones, no internet, water problems, 153 Year 7's, large number of new enrolments.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Cilla):

- In the process of reconciling 2018 figures for the auditor.
- Current balances: 23K in Building fund and 48.5K in the P&C account.

P&C SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Band Committee (Nicki):

Band has enrolled 13 new members this year; but with students not returning for various reasons (HSC notably), our ensemble will remain at around 40, very much now a Year 7-10 Band. We are also trying to establish a junior jazz band. Our first performance will be BHS Open Night which is traditionally where we can introduce our new year 7s to performing with Band

Concert Band Rehearsals now Tuesdays 6pm-8pm

Jazz Band Rehearsals now Tuesdays 5pm-6pm

New members include Tenor Sax, Alto Sax x 2, Bari Sax, Clarinet x 2, Flute x 4, Euphonium, Percussions x 2, French Horn

Canteen & Uniform Store (Kalinda/Susie):

- 20K transferred across to P&C
- Healthy Canteen – 3 year process. We are meeting all the guidelines so far but still working through it

Barrenjoey Performance Space Steering Committee (Christy):

- We can now start building; 26 weeks to do it
- we incur penalties if we ask the builders to stop because of noise so exams that are scheduled to be held in the Hall during the building phase will be moved
- Congratulations to the committee – 6 years of effort to get the Performance Space to this stage.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Peter Birrell:

Peter is the Avalon Rep for the Northern Sydney District P&C

NSD P&C is an independent body that looks at issues raised by schools. If BHS would like to have a representative then Peter is happy to do this.

It was agreed that this would be put to the vote at the next P&C Meeting.

- A question was raised about BHS's plans for air conditioning. Ian responded to this question:

There is no AC allowance in the 2019 budget. We do not qualify for the government's Cool Kids program. However, as Bilgola Plateau PS and Avalon PS were successful in applying through this program, we are going to apply also.

- It was advised that there are now 8 students enrolled in the new BHS Mountain Biking team. They are going to Thredbo on 14-17 March to compete.
- To be able to vote, you must be financial. \$2 was paid to the Treasurer by the following people: Peter Colman, Clare Hawkins, Simon Bateson, Cilla Cole, Kalinda Hawson, Jennifer Bezuidenhoue, Dan Coolee, Marie Gerathy

Meeting closed at 7:30pm

Next Meeting Wed 20th March