



Term 4, Week 3 P&C Meeting Minutes

DATE: Wednesday, 26th October
TIME: 7pm – 8.55pm
VENUE: School Staffroom

Present: Lisa Phillips, Jono Rosconi, Dave Waters, Jade Browett, Allison Salmon, Linda Smith, Lee Milligan, Kathy Cooper, Emma, Lauren Sciacca, Melaine Cunningham, Janine Ralston, Sportspro Mr G and Mr M

Apologies, Jade F, Susie Stamford, Belinda Brown

Acceptance of prior minutes:

Item: Actions carried over from prior meeting

Item	Action	Owner
Social and Fundraising Plan for 2023	2023 plan to be drafted by Events committee and share with Lisa and Jono	Jade F/Fundraising team

Sportspro

Mr G and Mr M in to discuss the program and to have the P&C approval for another year contract. \$6.50 per session/child. \$220 yearly. School hoping to place Sportspro as a separate payment to school fee's.

Dave Waters

Discussion and PowerPoint presentation around data and trends collected from NAPLAN for year 3 and 5. A few areas noted that will become the focus for teaching and learning, facilitated by Dave in his new curriculum role.

Lisa's Principal Report – refer to end of minutes

Bush regeneration

Melanie – bush care on the verge at kiss and drop going ahead. Parents encouraged to come along to help. A weekend in Nov to be confirmed by the council. Push out information to our community



Finance report – Linda

Bank account looking good. More to come at the AGM

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Week 7

Social committee

Social committee are meeting tomorrow night. Lisa has created a timeline for events for 2023. Dates and events for each year. To be announced. Social committee meeting tomorrow night 27/10 to discuss future events

Lisa's Principal Report – refer to end of minutes

P&C Principal Report

I would like to thank and introduce Dean Gilchrist and Ryan Murray from Sportspro to address the P&C tonight. The students love Sportspro and we as a school have seen firsthand benefits of running this program at our school. Our partnership and connection with Dean, Bear and Ryan is strong after several years teaching Sportspro at EHPS. We would ideally like to keep the program running in 2023 and request your support. Thank you, Dean and Ryan.

I would like to introduce and welcome David Waters to P&C. Mr Waters has been successful in his application to become our Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction (4 days). Mr Waters will retain his 1-day Assistant Principal. This role will ensure thorough analysis of school, stage and grade data, high impact professional learning targeting literacy and numeracy needs within the school, stage collaboration and team teaching to implement best practice. The aim is for sustained, positive impact of student outcomes and teacher capabilities. Dave will start this position in Term 1, 2023 and has been invited tonight to share an overview of data which allows us to determine school and Stage trends for instruction and focus. Thank you, Dave.

Thank you in advance for providing morning tea for the teachers to celebrate World Teachers Day on Friday. The teachers will feel greatly appreciated and will be thankful for the P&C's care and generosity.

Congratulations and thank you to the Band/Strings Committee for a hugely successful Bunnings BBQ which raised \$4500. Charlotte B, Fi B, Janine R, Belinda B and Mr McSeveny did an amazing job organising volunteers and ensuring the day was a success.

The program is significantly requiring changes to sustain five ensembles in 2023. Our three conductors do an amazing job above their paid time and have expressed concern at the amount of work expected of them. A parent committee was set up this year and needs to take the lead with organisation in 2023. Fees will be increased in 2023 and requests for payment up front as we have had many students leave the program and not pay. This is crippling the program financially.



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On Monday, schools should receive a preliminary funding outline and have stronger understanding of the

funding allocation for the school. Term 4 is hectic with staffing and reports as two complex components. In 2023, we are predicting to have 17 classes, one of which will be a composite class with student numbers sitting around 440. This will mean classroom space too.

There will be some staff movement as the NSW Teachers Federation are calling teachers back to their permanent positions and are trying to allocate temporary teachers in permanent roles. Dave Waters Assistant Principal (4 days) position will be advertised and go through a panel process. Our Deputy Principal position will be on review for another year but is necessary for the school to fund this position.

New curriculums are a huge professional learning focus at the moment and the Department of Education are providing extra release for APS and DPs for the next two years. Schools will need to fund extra release for all classroom teachers. The APC&I position will be supporting the implementation of the new curriculums with the support of the DP and APS.

The staff have been engaged in professional learning of the new Inclusive, Engaging and Respectful Schools policy reform released by the Department. Three policies are included to help schools manage the diverse spectrum of student needs to improve outcomes for all students.

A new Staff Development Day has been added to the end of the year on Monday 19th December. The staff will attend school that day, to plan for 2023. Tuesday 20th December will be covered by two twilight professional learning sessions of three hours each on Monday 7th and Monday 14th where we will look at the new mathematics K-2 syllabus mandatory training and the Got It Team will present their Wellbeing strategy we employ at the school.

The following report is from Jenny Cullen.

Our Kindergarten Orientation program starts next week with three Thursdays where our little 2023 kindy students will attend schools sessions across the three days. On Thursday 10th November, I have invited our 2023 kindergarten parents to attend school for an information evening. I would love representation from the P&C on the night, to welcome parents and talk about ways parents can be involved and volunteer at the school. I would like a uniform talk, a canteen/healthy food talk, P&C fundraising and recruitment and school information.

School maintenance programs are in full swing. The K-2 toilet block is being completely renovated. Currently, this is in the tender process and is being aligned to the \$400,000 driveway renovation. We are hoping to have confirmation that the flooded classroom will be completed soon, have new carpet being installed in the staffroom tomorrow, new garden bed, railings and concrete steps. The Pickle Town rebuild will go ahead with Dolphin Landscapes winning the tender that the school will locally manage.

Yesterday two Councillors attended school to watch the pickup chaos at bell time. This is the result from parent and community concerns being raised to the Council. The Councillors will be planning safety measures and propose these to ensure safety, road rules and laws are being obeyed by parents. Today they sent rangers to monitor the front of the school.

Year 5 are off to camp tomorrow with Jono, Ms Levido and Mrs Aldridge. We thank the teachers for the extra commitment out of the goodness of their hearts.



I will be attending the NSWPPA Conference next week. I will also be attending The Art of Leadership second part of the conference in Week 6. Jono will relieve in my absence. I will be available should I be needed.

Bush Track Report for P and C meeting of 26.10.22 from Jenny Cullen

1. Sustainable Schools Grant — funding finished

Last expenditures were for signs.

Wooden signs have been made and will be installed shortly. Thank you to Ben and Mel Cunningham who have helped with design advice, ordering timber, taking some of the existing railings to Brookvale for engraving and will collect and install the signs.

Acknowledgement and thanks to Peter of Big Models who gave us a very good price for this work.

Brass sign has been ordered through ex-student, Matt, of Absolute Signs. Under production. Website for teachers is underway, providing detailed information to enable every teacher to use the Bush Track area for educational purposes. Jenny intends to also make a simpler interpretive site for parents to use as a guided walk with their children. Both to be completed in her own time when she can.

The grant funds have been spent and report will be submitted once signs are up.

2. Rob Stokes visit and statement

A visit is being arranged for Rob Stokes to look at the results of the Sustainable Schools Grant, a scheme he introduced when he was Minister for Education. It is pencilled as after school on Thurs 1st Dec and the parents who have helped are invited to attend. It is a lowkey, informal event simply to show him the area and discuss forward planning and broader issues.

A completely unexpected and delightful surprise was the Community Recognition Statement which Rob delivered in NSW parliament last Tuesday 18th Oct. He gives a fulsome tribute to the care for bushland at our school, and Lisa and Jenny are honoured with a mention, as well as the school community. This is the link:

https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/Hansard/Paaes/HansardResult.aspx#/docid/HAN_SARD-1323879322-128270/1inW38

3. Slope down from Elanora Rd between steps and neighbouring property

In response to a letter sent by P and C last year, Council removed woody weeds and sprayed this section as it was seeding weeds into the regenerating area. Mel Cunningham is coordinating further improvement works here and has been in touch with Council. She will be contacting P and C about organising a date for a working bee on this slope, fixing up the fence and planting. The Bushcare group last week discussed possible improvements to the top entrance area to the steps.

4. The P and C funded works near driveway

The initial two sprays of the slope below the Bush Track were done by Dragonfly worker under the Sustainable Schools grant works. The first step is to exhaust as much of the weed



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seed as possible before planting.

From now on, work will be

funded through the P and C. The aim is to also restore the area around the entrance to the driveway, around boom gate which has become very degraded. This area is both the entrance to the school and the interface with all passing pedestrian and vehicle traffic, so should be an attractive, well-kept area.

5. Next bushcare session — Wednesday 9th November — 12.30 picnic on path, 1-3pm weeding.

Meeting closed: 9:10pm