

# Cammeray Public School P&C Association

**19 March 2008**

Attendance: P&C 2007 Executive - Evan Predavec, Ian Davies, Geraldine Mack, Lisa Hulme-Jones, Nadine Foley

Members of the school community – see attached.

## 1. Apologies

None

## 2. Acceptance of minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were circulated.

- Mover: Warwick Overton
- Seconder: Geraldine Mack
- Accepted by the meeting.

## 3. Fundraising

- In 2007 there was a 54% contribution rate. This is very low, and there will be increased focus in 2008 to improve this.
- It was stressed that the funds allowed Cammeray to reduce class sizes, purchase science class supplies, and further expand internet access in all classrooms. None of these measures are possible with the standard government funding.
- A letter is to go out in week 2 Term 2 requesting a contribution of \$350 for the 1st child and \$150 for each additional child per family.
- A preliminary breakdown is as follows (note this is an agenda item for future meetings):

Item	Amount	Note
Sundries	\$10,000	Breakdown provided next meeting
Class room set up	\$13,000	
Classroom refurbishment	\$5,000	
Reading materials	\$8,000	All classes through the school
Maths aids/supplies	\$6,000	
Science supplements	\$5,000	Includes Lego robotics site licence
GATS & SLTA teachers	\$20,000	
Soundproofing	\$5,000	Complements band fundraising. Evan Predavec to check possible cover through the Building Fund
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$72,000</b>	
Smart Boards	\$10,000 each	Pending approval of funds allocation

- The school only has x2 Smart Boards. While the teachers are doing their best to share, this is not ideal given there are almost x30 individuals classes at the school. The Smart Boards have huge learning potential / impact, and the teaching body believes that they greatly enhance the learning experience.
- The school body requested in principal fundraising approval for \$72,000, with additional funds spent on Smartboards:
  - Mover: Rick Smith
  - Seconder: Sylvie Brisset

- Accepted by the meeting.

#### **4. Parking and Road Safety**

- There is a sign in Miller Street indicating a school zone. The lights are still pending.
- The zebra crossing has not yet been implemented and no due date has been given.
- Walking buses were proposed to relieve traffic congestion – to be discussed at the next meeting.
- Evan Predavec to investigate the extension of the school zone and report at next meeting.

#### **5. Bulk Purchase of Stationary**

Carried over to next meeting.

#### **6. School Starting / finishing time**

The meeting unanimously agreed that no further discussion needs to take place on changing school hours.

#### **7. Non-Scripture**

There was a vibrant discussion around the issue of non-scripture classes. After considering numerous viewpoints, the meeting collectively decided that this is not an issue for the P&C body.

#### **8. Social Event**

Carried over to the next meeting

#### **9. Treasurers Report**

No change – further discussion for next meeting after the funding allocation is clarified.

#### **10. Principal's Report**

- 2nd year Architecture students from the University of Sydney will be working with Cammeray Yrs 2-6 regarding sustainability in terms of healthy living and building for a sustainable environment.
- The 20:20 summit is to be held on 20th April. 10 groups from Yrs 5&6 will be led by teachers and 4 volunteer parents.
- A Year 5 teacher, Alex Ball, has been selected to attend the NASA Space Camp in Alabama, USA for 1 week in June.
- The 1st school development day for teachers in 2008 was held during the holidays. Next one's to be held are:
  - 1st day of T2 – choice therapy / welfare therapy regarding individuals taking responsibility;
  - last day of T2 – difficulty in team work in classrooms.
- Tony Caper will give a presentation in May at the school on 'healthy planets / healthy people', and what parents need to consider
- The demountable was scheduled to be handed over in March, with classes moving shortly thereafter.
- The results of the bus survey are in, and Christine Taylor is now able to make representation for additional buses / times / routes.

#### **11. Correspondence**

None

## **12. Other business**

- There has been a build up of rubbish in the zone 4 area. It is unclear whether this is from strong winds or general littering. Requested as a future agenda item pending no improvements.

## **Next meeting agenda items**

- Christine Taylor to provide a breakdown of the fundraising allocation and the Levy of \$10k in addition to the term levy (Christine Taylor).
- Overview of the school's Master Plan status to be given (School Council)
- Walking buses - discussion
- Bulk purchase of stationary (carry over)
- Social event – discussion (carry over)

Meeting closed 9.15pm.

**Next Meeting:** 21 May 2008