

Cammeray Public School P&C Association

30 July 2008

Attendance: P&C 2007 Executive - Evan Predavec, , Geraldine Mack, Lisa Hulme-Jones, Ian Davies
Members of the school community – see attached.

1. Apologies

Christine Taylor; Nigel Fortescue

2. Acceptance of minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were circulated.

- Mover: Ian Davies
- Seconder: Geraldine Mack
- Accepted by the meeting.

3. Parking and Road Safety

- The zebra crossing has not yet been painted, but is expected to be completed within the next 2-3 months.
- The study needs to be redone by the RTA for the right turn from Palmer into Walker Street. No answer yet on due date.
- North Sydney Council is to put more signage around the crossing on Bellevue Street
- Replacement for Janet – a temporary person has been allocated while the process is followed for a permanent replacement.

4. Fundraising

- There is now a 42% family contribution rate (208 families) and total funds raised \$86,670.
- This is an improvement over the \$75k raised by end Term 2 subsequent to the second phase of letters being distributed.
- The target is still at least \$100k with 80%-85% contribution by families.
- A third letter will go out in Term 3 to those families who have not contributed, giving them the option to state why they are not paying.
- The initial target of \$75k is to be spent on basic essentials as per the teaching body request. As per the plan to spend part of the excess funds on Smart Boards, the P&C has thus far given the school 2 Smart Boards.

5. School Funding Requests

Suzanne Trisic presented a revised version of the school funding request. The funding required is simply a re-allocation of funds previously approved under the original request and takes the total approved to \$56,500.

- Mover: Suzanne Trisic
- Seconder: Ian Davies
- Accepted by the meeting.

6. Bulk Purchase of Stationary

Katrina Ellis presented an overview of the bulk stationary scheme. If there is 100% take-up the expenditure is \$20k. This is at no risk to the P&C as parents will pre-order in Term 4 for distribution of the standardised packs in Term 1 2009. There will not be a minimum order cut-

off point for 2009, although the success will depend on whether the scheme is again adopted in 2010 onwards.

- Mover: Katrina Ellis
- Secunder: Evan Predavec
- Accepted by the meeting.

7. Social Event

Upcoming potential social events being planned are:

- Early September - working bee to clear weeds, paths and accumulated rubbish;
- Mid September – the main social event is to be held on a Friday evening or Sunday afternoon. A survey is posted on the P&C web site for preferences;
- October – a camping evening is being planned on the school grounds

8. Principal's Report

- There is a new Kindergarten teacher;
- Kindergarten information evening will be held on 13th August;
- An action Research Project is underway with joint participation by students from Neutral Bay, Beauty Point and Mosman High schools;
- The school is conducting a survey for the 3 year planning cycle (current one is for 2005-2008). This will ensure a coordinated, executable plan for the next 3 years.

9. Correspondence

None

10. Other business

There was further discussion on the fundraising and the low level of parent contribution. Although the amount raised is tracking well towards the target of \$100k, the target family contribution rate of 80-85% is considerably below target.

It was agreed that a new approach to fundraising is required in 2009 to ensure it is more equitable. The item is carried over to the August meeting where the school is to give a breakdown of the expected 2009 levies not accounted for in the semester fees. Further to this meeting a working group will be formed to decide on fundraising amounts required and priorities, for implementation at end Term 4 2008.

Next meeting agenda items

- Overview of the school's Master Plan to be given (Christine Taylor) – carry over
- Fundraising – breakdown of levy and discussion on proposed approach

Meeting closed 9.00pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 20th August at 7.30 pm (note new time)