



MINUTES – P&C Meeting 3 – 20th May 2019

Attendance & apologies

Attendees: Flavia Morello (President), Amanda Tattersall (Vice President), Kate Obermayer (Vice President), Jill Jeremy (Secretary), Jennifer Trang, Andrew McGlashan, Bill Lloyd (Treasurer), Sarah Jane Nilsson (Communications), Remi Duracher (Sustainability), Kerri Dawson (Learning Support)

Apologies: George Grose (Indigenous), Alastair Jeremy, Mic Everett (Garden), Rob Hynson (Garden), Carolyn McCann (Grants), Sam Korff (Events)

Meeting opened at 7:03pm with Flavia giving the Acknowledgement of Country

Approval of previous minutes

Proposed by Jill. Seconded by Flavia. Approved.

Discussion - Pedestrian and traffic safety

Another barrier was recently knocked down at the Ross St/Bridge Rd intersection directly outside the school leading to community concerns re pedestrian safety.

Actions to date include Bill raising a petition, contacting police and informing Jamie Parker, Flavia contacting local council and the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS). Bill attended a traffic meeting of the "Traffic Calming Committee" (consisting of police, RMS and local council) and the P&C Executive will meet with the RMS, local council and Glebe Society representative this Friday 24th May 2019 to discuss the issue further.

Agreement that we are at early stages of a traffic disaster in this area, with the increased number of cars due to opening of Harold Park and the impending dump of traffic due to West Connex. Will also see more traffic around the school during the WestConnex construction, particularly the dive site tunnel (forecast 100 trucks per day).

Issue identified on all roads around the school. Including, but not limited to:

Ross St – speeding cars, death outside Pizza de Noi on St John's Rd, cars cutting in to pass buses outside Annexe café, narrow footpaths and impeded access due to commuter waiting for bus on footpaths

Charles St – no markings, no physical reminder for children that this is a road (no kerb), the concrete ramp allows cars to turn corner faster than usual

Bridge Rd – impossible to cross via traffic island in the morning, new baby clinic (300 Bridge Rd), speeding cars

Wigram Rd – crossing over to Harold park – recent pedestrian accident

York Lane - no footpath

Need a traffic/pedestrian safety assessment of all roads on all approaches to the school within the school catchment area. Request for this to be done by July 2019. Develop a holistic plan for the whole area.

- Reduced speed limit from 60kph to 40kph on all roads approaching school
- Traffic calming strategies along Bridge Rd and Minogue Cres/Ross St (e.g. speed bumps, speed cameras)
- Pedestrian crossing on Charles St opposite school gate
- Wider footpaths with less obstacles (impact for wheelchair users as well as prams)



- Bus stop on Ross Street moved
- Unnecessary street clutter removed (Telstra phone booth outside school on Bridge Rd, power lines underground to remove poles, bikes permanently chained to barriers)
- Barriers at Bridge Rd/Ross St intersection replaced

Actions:

- Working group created to drive this project (Amanda, Bill, Flavia, Andrew & Sarah Jane) & create a plan of action
- Recirculate petition to school and wider audience to garner at least 1000 signatures
- Petition circular to also include information on how to complain to council to keep issue on their radar
- Bag drop school with requests for stories regarding safety while getting to school
- Ask Steve to amend the school sign with e.g. "This intersection is dangerous. Join our campaign" with the petition link detailed to raise awareness to wider community
- Ask Steve to put something in school newsletter
- Request safety review
- Lobby council and politicians (Jamie Parker, Jess Scully, Linda Scott)
- Potentially fund an independent traffic management consult

Funding, Spending & Approvals

3 events in 2019 (NSW State Election BBQ, Mother's Day Stall & Federal Election BBQ) raised \$11,000, plus Cobden & Hanson donation \$14,000.

The P&C Meeting in August will focus on this year's allocation of monies raised & fundraising ideas for 2019/2020.

Toilet upgrade to start ASAP. Need portable toilets which Dave Sawkins will organise & assets will pay for.

- National anthem banner requested by school – Flavia proposed, Amanda seconded, all approved (\$250)
- Playground land survey – Amanda proposed, Andrew seconded, all approved (\$2250 or half of required monies)
- Change treasury process for music committee. Lia Singh can either email the treasury@flodge.net.au address and any of the bank signatories can approve request or she may be able to access and request funds directly via CommBiz. Bill will inform Lia & Exec of process for this. Jill proposed, Flavia seconded, all approved.
- Concerns voiced re music program and continued availability of volunteers. Decision to host a whole school music information event in the next month to create a vision and plan for the future of the program. Flavia to liaise with Emily & Music Committee to arrange and advertise.
- Wish to change AGM to end of the year to allow a handover to the new team rto allow them to be up and running at the beginning of the new year. Move to have AGM end of year, change audit & financial reporting to June. Proposed by Amanda, Kate 2nd, moved.

Reports:

Agreement that in future report will be as written or by exception (i.e. if anyone has something they specifically would like raised and discussed with the P&C as a whole then they should place it as an



agenda item. Otherwise the working groups will continue to meet and perform their work, providing written reports to P&C for the meetings.

Learning Support Meeting Update: Concerns about Wellbeing Policy from school, couple representatives to meet with Steven to discuss.

Sustainability Update: Created vision, to share with principal students & community

Working through draft, put out on app and develop actions for the year

Other business

Rachel (office) is getting married this week. She does a lot for the P&C therefore would like to give her a gift voucher from P&C. Flavia requested, Jill seconded, all approved. Amount of \$100.

Close

Discussion topic for next meeting on 17th June 2019 is Learning Support

Meeting closed at 8:27pm.

WORKING GROUP/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

MUSIC

- Band are going well. Band breakfast was very successful. We raised \$1680
- Looking at a 'recital night' this term (in wk 10) instead of a band breakfast. Will provide opportunity for smaller groups/soloists to play as well as parents/teachers (all bands will still perform)
- Currently discussing the possibility of combining senior and intermediate bands.
- Secretary role currently vacant - rest of committee going very well.
- Current numbers (114) are TB 30, IB 24, SB 22, StB 12, Beg Str 7, Con Str 7, Recorder 11, Flute Choir 6, Percussion , Choir 39

EVENTS/FUNDRAISING

- Successful Mother's Day stall run by Y2. Raised profit ~\$1000. Stall to be held at election day to sell leftover gifts.
- In midst of organising Federal Election day BBQ & cake stall. Y1 & K taking charge.
- Halloween Disco set for 26 October 2019. Sponsored by Cobden & Hayson.
- Trivia Night set for 27 July 2019. Rock Star theme. Need donations for auction.

Term	Date	Event	Led By	Funds to
2	18 May 2019	Federal Election BBQ & Cake Stall	K & Y1	Playground
2	TBC	Recital Night	Music Committee	Music Program
3	27 Jul 2019	Trivia Night	P&C General	Flexible furniture
3	TBC	Pizza night at Flodge hotel	Garden Committee	Garden
3	13 Sep 2019	Big Band Bfast	Music Committee	Music Program
3	14 Sep 2019	Sydney Uni Book Fair BBQ & cake Stall	Y4	TBC
4	26 Oct 2019	Halloween Disco	Learning Support	Learning Support
4	TBC	Pizza night at Flodge hotel	Music Committee	Music Program
4	20 Dec 2019	Farewell Afternoon Tea	Y5	N/A - social only

GRANTS

- We have applied for an extension to the communities building partnerships toilet block grant (\$50K), and building works must be completed by end of June.
- We have accepted the funding for the community building partnerships solar panels grant (\$16K).

Both of these require the school/another organization to provide half the funding (the other \$50K or \$16K respectively). I understand that Stephen has applied to the department for the other \$16K for the solar panels and that Jamie Parker has provided the other \$50K for the toilet block upgrade.



LEARNING SUPPORT

During Term 1 we met with a similar group from Abbotsford Public School. Many similarities, will continue to share experiences and learnings between our schools. Will also look to collaborate in future for certain events.

Special Guest at last two Learning Support meetings - Liz Pellicano a psychologist specialising in Autism, based at Macquarie University.

The group is reviewing the updated school Wellbeing Policy and is looking forward to discussing feedback with Steve.

Wish Steve to update group re Aspect training, and the other Learning Support Programs at school (mini-lit/multi-lit?)

SUSTAINABILITY

- Group has met twice. Currently preparing a vision statement to guide further actions.

GARDEN

- Soil samples have been taken and are due to be sent for analysis

INFRASTRUCTURE

Playground

- Landscape Architect (NBRS Architecture) has been appointed to undertake the playground design
- We are awaiting approval to proceed with the quotation to undertake the survey of the school. The survey is required for the Landscaping design and will assist with obtaining better pricing of the works as they move forward
- Playground to be upgraded in stages, with K-2 area first. Hopefully commence Term 4. Will need fundraising.

Toilets

- Toilet refurbishment to commence shortly and be completed by end June 2019
- Only a refurbishment, not changing any major plumbing work

INDIGENOUS

Work has begun on the first stage of the acknowledgement of the traditional owners sign. George and Steve met with a SignPac representative on 14th May 2019. This allowed for further knowledge and one big sign. Given the size, a temporary location for the sign has been identified on the left hand side wall at the bottom of the steps to the main hall entrance

School representatives council, together with our indigenous children, shall work on choice of wording ASAP.

LANGUAGES – Not yet received