

**Ellison Public School P&C Association**  
**Minutes of the General Meeting – 18<sup>th</sup> March 2015**  
**Ellison Public School Staffroom**

**Meeting opened:** 7.31pm

**Meeting Chaired by:** Rebekah Kaminski

**Present:** Anita Ksiazek, Danielle Sciberras, Tenille Weir, Allison Todd, Chris Lewczak, Julie Lawson, Sally Gerbach, Rob Hutchinson, Michelle Engelhard, Luke Morrissey

**Apologies:** Belinda Bishop, Amy Briggs, Gemma Rowntree, Adara Hartmann, Jayson Hartmann, Jan Frape, Ian Frape, Rebecca Harris, Kate Morrissey

**Acceptance of previous minutes:** Motion to accept minutes for February's minutes – Luke Morrissey.  
Seconded – Danielle Sciberras

**Business arising from previous minutes:**

**Election Day BBQ**

- Kate & Luke Morrissey to organise an election day BBQ. A notice is to be put on Facebook asking for volunteers to help

**Ladies Night In**

- To be held 24<sup>th</sup> April. So far we have 10 stall holders. They will pay a fee to have a stall on the night and donate an item to use in a raffle.
- \$5 (pre purchased) entry fee for attendees or \$6 on the night. This will include wine & biscuits or coffee and cake. Looking for catering at this stage.
- Gemma Rowntree will maintain a Facebook event page. Sally Gerbach to design posters and tickets.
- Decorating/set up to be done Thursday night/Friday. Event to run from 6-6.30pm to 9pm. Mrs Becker will MC. Looking to have a Silent Auction and live music on the night.
- A motion that Julie Lawson and the subcommittee hold the event on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2015 was proposed by Tenille Weir. Seconded by Danielle Sciberras. Motion passed.

**Correspondence:**

- School Global Funding Letter received.
- NSW Teachers Federation leaflet. Volunteer needed to distribute at Election Day. It was agreed that whoever wanted to do it should not represent the P&C. Jan Frape to be asked if she would like to volunteer/organise a volunteer to distribute.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

- Current balance of the General Account is \$8870.80. Uniform Account balance is \$1461.00. In total we have a balance of over \$10000.00.

### **Sub Committee Reports:**

#### **Easter Raffle**

- Tickets have gone home already. Some have started coming back in.
- Belinda & Sam Bishop have donated eggs, toys and baskets for the raffle. We also have a \$50 Coles voucher and eggs donated by Michelle Fitzgerald. Thank you to those people.
- At this stage we have at least 3 baskets for prizes.
- Coffee man booked for 10.15am for the Easter Hat Parade.

#### **Cake Stall**

- We have not had a great response to the request for volunteers at this stage.
- Display and décor for the stall is organised.
- Will put out the message again for volunteers to work/bake a week before the event. Please list ingredients and pre wrap and pre-cut slices.
- Danielle will price individual items.

#### **Mother's Day Stall**

- Items for the stall have been bought.
- Tenille has started an inventory to see how many gifts we have. She is focusing on the low end of the price range with bought items.
- The stall is to be held on the 7<sup>th</sup> May. Volunteers needed.

#### **Uniform Shop**

- A table of the sales figures for the Kindergarten summer uniform was presented and discussed.
- The proposed ordering numbers for winter uniform were presented and the proposed budget for this order. It was decided that in addition to the order that extra school jumpers be ordered in sizes for the entire school.
- A motion to transfer \$2500.00 to the uniform account to cover winter stock was proposed by Luke Morrissey. Seconded by Danielle Sciberras.

#### **Disco**

- The date for the first disco is the 11<sup>th</sup> June. Back up date is the 18<sup>th</sup> June.

#### **Canteen**

- It was discussed that the excess canteen stock should be sold off at the cake stall.

## **General Business:**

### **PSSA Representative**

- Student Anna Porter has been selected in the regional basketball team and will play at the state carnival.
- It was discussed what amount the P&C would contribute towards the costs associated with this. It was decided that going forward the P&C would contribute \$150.00 to any student representing the school at regional level and \$250.00 to any student representing at a state level.
- Motion to contribute \$150.00 towards Anna Porter representing Met West at the state basketball carnival - Luke Morrissey. Seconded by Allison Todd. Motion passed.

### **Parent Request**

- There has been a request from a parent to have toilets built in the upper classrooms.
- Rob confirmed that this was looked at when the plans for the classrooms were drawn up and that it was not an option as they would have been built over the sewer line and that the lines would have to be encased in concrete. The cost of this was very high and so the decision was made not to build toilets.

### **Principal's Report:**

- It has been a very busy time. The senior students have been on their overnight camps.
- Continuing to work on a new school plan. The feedback has been very positive overall. There are 3 major priority areas that are being focussed on out of the feedback received.
  1. Community
  2. Learning
  3. Wellbeing

The planning committee met last week to brainstorm our vision statement.

- The implementation of the new syllabus continues with Maths being introduced in Semester 1 and Science & Technology in Semester 2. Teachers are now focusing their professional learning around the Science & Technology syllabus. The new syllabus is looking at how to access and organise new knowledge, not necessarily learning knowledge. Teachers need to learn how to facilitate rather than regurgitate knowledge.

**Meeting Closed:** 8.59pm

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015