

Wahroonga Public School P&C Association General Meeting

Monday 13th May, 2019 in the Staff room

1. Acknowledgment of country, welcome all attendees and President's address

Present: JG, AF, RL, AM, BC, AB, NC, GG, DM, HG, TC, JG, DB, AB, SG, JL.

RL opened the meeting at 7:32pm.

2. Apologies – LK, KT, AS, MF.

3. Previous Minutes

General Meeting held 27th March, 2019

Accepted as a true and accurate reflection. Proposed: GG Seconded: BC

4. President's report

Discussed resignation of HG as Uniform Shop Manager. HG has offered to remain on as manager until T3W2, providing conditions are met. The position will be advertised in the school newsletter.

Question: is there something fundamentally wrong with the shop? Discussions around shop[processes and critical timings not being met. RL to draft Ad for new manager.

Audit Report: No longer needed as Audit is underway. RL described the AGM process for new members.

Grant Application: report needs to be completed by the end of June.

WWCC: draft completed; RL to circulate.

5. Principal's report

Report provided by AF and CF: Thanks P&C for events this term, including the Mother's Day stall, Breakfast BBQ and Movie Night and in advance for all the work that will go into the Spring Fair and the Band festival.

ETHICS COORDINATOR: The school would like to welcome Paul Walker to the role of ethics Co-ordinator and we thank Louise Ord for the work she has previously done and for staying in the role and setting up the year, until a new coordinator could be found.

ASSETS UPDATE:

Fences and Gates: Wahroonga Public School warmly welcomes parents and community members. We take our duty of care to students very seriously. Please note the following procedures for entry into and exit out of the school grounds: the school gates are unlocked and open each morning until 9:45am and after 2:45pm each afternoon so that parents/carers can enter and exit the school easily. The school gates are closed and locked between the hours of 9:45am and 2:45pm. Parents / carers can still easily gain access to the school premises by using the gate intercom, at the main boardwalk entry, to buzz the office. Office staff will then open the gate. Parents can also ask for the code to the gate for easy access at any time. The school requests that the code is known only to parents and that students are not given this information. Please note: the code may be changed in the future. If this happens parents / carers will be notified and will be given access to the new code

upon request. (Gate B, the walkway has a monitor and 2 cameras and the office can let people in. The Water Street Gate between the pool and canteen has a pinpad with a code.)

Amphitheatre/ Ku-ring-gai Council Grant: Thursday 9 May – Meeting to discuss the scope and the work should commence in the next two weeks. The wooden seats will be removed and replaced with aluminium seats which do not require ongoing maintenance. It will cost \$66 000. (\$40 000 from the Ku-ring-gai Council Grant, \$16 000 from the school and hopefully \$10 000 from the P&C)
Roofing: L, B A block have new roofs.

Painting: H Block, WOOSH. the uniform shop, Water Street Band room and the bottom of K block have been painted or are in the process of being painted.

Flooring: Carpets some classrooms in L block, H block and A block received new carpets/ flooring.

Pool pump room upgrade: Work started on the pump room last year and will be completed soon. It is being upgraded to be in line with Department of Health standards. The initial work will cost \$4250. New testing equipment was purchased at a cost approximately \$1000. There are no Department of Education funds allocated to pool maintenance. Please can the P&C consider paying for a new chemical monitoring system as the current system will need to be replaced in the next two years? It costs approximately \$7000.

The pool is heated by gas (approximately \$17 000 per year), the school should investigate solar heating for the pool in the future as it may be more cost effective over time. The gas heating could be used only as back up on a cloudy day.

Mini Mulch: As a part of (area near the tennis courts) to be redesigned to include a yarning circle, low ropes, nature play, construction and team building with natural materials and footpath to access. Artify and ERC will be involved.

UNIFORMS

Email received: Do we have a pant option for girls in the summer? JL responded that we are investigating a shorts and shirt option for girls.

WISH LIST

\$35 000 Pool upgrade - we may be able to ask for a Kur-ring-gai Council grant - new grants are available. The pool is used by the community, not just the school, we could get a grant and the money to upgrade the pool. Does someone want to look into the grants for the community?

\$30 000 to upgrade the home readers K-4 (\$10 per book)

\$20 000 Student Learning Support officer

Shade sails over the Kindergarten playground

Shade sails over the swimming pools.

6. Treasurer's report

RL read out the accounts as they stand. Audit is progressing, we hope to have the results in the next few weeks.

7. Uniform Shop Committee

Discussion around volunteers needed for ongoing opening of Uniform shop and how many hours need to be open. Discussion around preference for pushing orders through Flexischools to try and

make it easier for parents to get their uniforms if they cannot make it into the shop. Meeting to be scheduled to finalise what needs to be handed over from the current manager to the Convener and team, including passwords, supplier relationships and access to technology.

8. Events and Fundraising Committee

The Spring Fair Committee having their first meeting next Tuesday during the day to discuss what needs to be organised.

9. Correspondence

Harris Farm have publicised their plans for redeveloping a site on Eastern Road. RL happy to make submission on behalf of the school if we need to. No-one felt there were significant school impacts to warrant a submission.

10. General matters

Sausage sizzle needs advertising, also suggested vegetarian options.

Meeting closed at 8:10pm

Next meeting: Wednesday 19th June at 9:30am