

Picnic Point Public School  
Parents and Citizens' Association

M E E T I N G

**Date:** 13 February 2018

**Meeting Time:** 7.00 pm

**Attendance:** Ian Sinclair, Sheree Smith, Joanna Fenik, Anthony Quach, Connie Psomas, Sheetal Challam, Suzanne Mitchell, Ben Walsh, John Luong, Lenneke Lucas, Winne Koelher-Maris, Hanna Nguyen, Michelle Pearce, Yvette Bell, Kylie Bailey, Sherry Brandtman, Sue Rose, Richard Shun Wah, Patty Tobar, Nerida Ayers, Steve Hancock

**Apologies:** Alison Walsh

**Minutes:** From the meeting dated 5 December 2017 read and discussed.

Accepted: Yvette Bell

Seconded: John Luong

**Correspondence:**

- In – as per mail register
- Out – NIL

**Principals Report: (Ben Walsh)**

- Thank you for holding the welcome BBQ. A good turnout
- Thank you to the new people joining our meeting tonight
- Students have settled in well. Biggest number of students (413).
- Only two kindergarten classes this year. 17 classes in total.
- Suggest two school development days at the end of year for professional learning. Proposing again that we move one of the days earlier in the year and two twilight sessions in lieu of two full days at the end of year. Teachers will finish on 20 December at 3.00pm and students finish on 19 December. All agreed.
- NAPLAN term 2 week 3 - 15 May, 16 May and 17 May (years 3 and 5)
- Tell Them From Me surveys again this year.
- Reading for Life training today.
- Swimming carnival tomorrow. Students need to be in class 8.30am.

- Meet the teacher on 20 February
- Community consultation for planning. Proposal that in two weeks from now, we have an afternoon presentation of the school plan for discussion in the hall.
- Leadership induction assembly on 27 Feb
- PSSA begins week 5
- Expressions of interest for high school coming out shortly for kids going to year 7 (week 6)
- Easter hat parade will be held Thursday 29 March 2018
- Sherry came in and reviewed P & C storeroom with Ben. Mark Stokes will take away rubbish
- Safety alert from WHS talking about vehicles in schools. Advice from department is that they are looking into it and will get back to us. Advice in the meantime is to follow policy
- Garbage truck time has been fixed

**Presidents Report: (Richard Shun Wah)**

- Thanks to Tim for stepping in to the president's role
- Welcome to new members
- Next month is the AGM on Tuesday 13 March 2018 in the hall. All positions open.
- Thank you to Steve Avery for supplying the sausages for the BBQ tonight.
- Put in next Kalori description of roles (for those unaware of what job entails)

**Treasurers Report: (Suzanne Mitchell)**

- Bank P& C account: \$34,835.50 (as at 31 Jan)
- School has been reimbursed for air conditioning and refurbishment of the library
- Need to sort out if we go online for banking and reconciliation. Richard to follow up Neville for MYOB information.
- We need the financials for AGM

**Canteen Report: (Sherry Brandtman)**

- Bank: \$12,224.44 (as at 31 Jan)
- Can hand \$5,000 to main account
- Lost three volunteers end of last year. Got four new volunteers today. Six to seven new people in total.
- Working hard to keep the canteen volunteer run.
- Insurance covers volunteers up to 85 years old

**Uniform Report: (Sherry Brandtman)**

- Bank: \$2,951.30 (as at 31 January)

**Fundraising Report: (Lenneke Lucas)**

- Christmas stall. A lot of leftovers. Not as successful as other years. Presentation day was the following day which didn't

allow for further sales. Maybe do two consecutive days next time. Tuesday/Wednesday would be best for the school

- Easter raffle – it's the band's turn this year. P & C will take it if they decide not to do it
- Next band meeting is 26 February 2018.

**BBQ manager's report (Steve Hancock):**

- Finally got rid of the old BBQ
- Steve of Illawong Butchers donated sausages today
- Next BBQ use would probably be a disco

**School Building Fund Administrator Report: (John Luong)**

- Bank: \$13,929.26 (as at 31 December 2017)

**Band Report:**

- No report

**Safety Officers Report: (Mark Stokes)**

- No report

**School Banking Report:**

- Sheree taking over with Gina
- School liaison officer coming in next week

**General Business:**

- Establishing after school care onsite.
  - The demand is increasing.
  - The ratio of educators to students at YMCA has changed.
  - Kids spending 45 minutes on the bus from school to YMCA.
  - YMCA having trouble finding qualified staff.
  - Not taking any casual students.
  - Management changes at YMCA.
  - Have not been able to fill driver positions. Leaves restricted services.
  - Parents received notification from YMCA on 15 December.
  - Panania North commencing onsite after school care soon
  - There is a care fund for site modification and assistance for set up.
  - Where does it leave working parents?
  - Volatile situation at YMCA at the moment
  - Ben had a meeting with the YMCA last year. Main difficulty is YMCA getting two educators to staff the bus. New policy for student to teacher ratios. Logistical issues having staff for only 20 minutes on the bus in the morning and then again in the afternoon
  - We don't have a spare room. Need a certain area per student, need kitchen facilities, logistical issues. May be that we can't avoid it and need to move facility on site. Only possible site is the hall.

- It is a tender process
- YMCA needs to tell school that they cannot supply service any more
- It's not a P & C process, it's a school process that needs to be followed. Would have a parent representative on the panel. Imagine it wouldn't start until next year. Would be part of future planning.
- There is no playground at YMCA
- Ben needs the YMCA to tell him that they can't sustain service. Ben wasn't aware of a lot of the issues until tonight. Ben will have a conversation with the YMCA
- Stage resources for this year. Proposal \$2,000 or \$3,000 per stage (4 stages)  
Motion that PC contribute \$2,000 per stage for classroom resources with a half yearly review  
Accepted: Yvette Bell  
Seconded: Suzanne Mitchell  
All in favour. Motion passed
- Kristen Dawes expressed interest in getting quotes for playground upgrade. Looking at minimum of \$25,000

**Next Meeting:** AGM and general meeting 13 March 2018

Reminder about getting updates to Kathryn by Thursday 12.00pm.

**Meeting Closed: 8.20 pm**