

# MINUTES: BELLINGEN PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C

MEETING DETAILS	
<b>Date and Time</b>	20.03.23, 6:30pm. Meeting closed 8.30pm
<b>Location</b>	Bellingen Youth Hub
<b>Attendees</b>	Chair: Nicky Mackie Attendees: Caroline Thomas, Ness Cavanagh, Faye Levine, Amy Reggers, Molly Reggers, Nicola Mackie, Michelle Bowling, Amy Ginis, Eva Wright, Dave ?, Fleur <b>Membership paid by:</b> Amy Reggers, Nicky Mackie, Amy Ginis, Eva Wright, Faye Levine, Fleur Blaney-Deen, Matthew Reggers, Dave
<b>Apologies</b>	Charlene Kellet, Matthew Reggers
<b>Minutes</b>	Sally Hawkins

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Agenda Items	Discussion & Agreed Action	Whom												
Acknowledgement of Country		Nicky												
Apologies	See above													
Minutes of previous meeting	Previous P&C held on 13.2.2022. Sally moved minutes be approved Michelle 2nd with the correction in the minutes that Michelle was present at the meeting	Nicky												
Correspondence in	Uniform Shop advertising P&C Federation Survey re Classroom Interruptions Fundraising Material Hope Foundation re Car boot markets	Nicky												
Correspondence out	Nicky has corresponded with Dean Evers re Car boot markets sausage sizzle. <b>Nicky will continue following this up, with the potential to take a turn later in the year</b> Nicky has requested some fundraising information from a supplier	Nicky												
Presidents Report	Nicky has been learning about the president's role and considering opportunities P&C might like to pursue during the year.  Nicky has recruited a secretary	Nicky												
Voting on Secretary Role	Ruth Carty was nominated by Nicky to fill the secretary position. All were in favour. Nicole Wing has met with Ruth and given her a introduction to the role													
Treasurer's Report	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Accounts General</td> <td>32810088</td> <td>\$2122.12</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Uniform</td> <td>32832262</td> <td>\$ 3134.29</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Grant</td> <td>32853567</td> <td>\$ 6549.74</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Business I saver</td> <td>10635840</td> <td>\$ 16,845.95</td> </tr> </table> <p>Expenditure in since last meeting for Library books and bike rack \$3,200 Expenditure for uniform shop \$797.98</p> <p><b>Charlene is working on getting the signatories changed over to this years executive</b></p>	Accounts General	32810088	\$2122.12	Uniform	32832262	\$ 3134.29	Grant	32853567	\$ 6549.74	Business I saver	10635840	\$ 16,845.95	Charlene
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Principal's Report	<p>P&amp;C Meeting Principal Report 2032/23</p> <p><b>School Vision</b></p> <p>At Bellingen Public School, on Gumbaynggirr land, we create and promote a positive and inclusive learning environment, where all students are excited about learning and all student learning needs are valued, understood and catered for.</p> <p>We strive to empower all students to achieve their best, build their emotional, social and physical well-being, to become lifelong learners and responsible citizens ready to meet the challenges of the future.</p> <p>We nurture and maintain relationships built upon trust, empathy, respect and high expectations. We embrace and celebrate the diversity within our community and value the strong partnerships that exist to enhance the culture of our school. Our school highly respects these partnerships as we share a commitment to and responsibility for ensuring a safe, collaborative, compassionate and quality learning environment for all.</p> <p>By working together, we ensure that learning is meaningful, relationships positive and individuals successful.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>2021-2024 School Plan</u></b></p> <p><i>Strategic Direction 1: Student Growth and Attainment. - Targets in Reading and Numeracy</i></p> <p><i>Strategic Direction 2: Wellbeing and Attendance</i></p> <p><i>Strategic Direction 3: Educational Leadership and Community Partnerships</i></p> <p>.....</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Body of Ness report.. remind about soft copy.</p> <p>P&amp;C response</p> <p>-The school is preparing for the external validation which will occur later this year. And a request was made for a P&amp;C representative. <b>Fleur Blainey-Deen has offered to be the representative and will attend meetings and seek information as required</b></p> <p>- The new fence was discussed and gate opening and closing. The gates will be open in the morning and afternoon for drop off and pick up and during school hours they will be closed and a buzzer will alert the office to visitors needing to gain access</p> <p>P&amp;C spending: Ness proposed that the school would like some P&amp;C assistance towards the costs of school excursions this year for years 4,5 and 6.</p> <p>Members considered this request, discussing the impact of the reduction, and how widely benefiting it would be.</p>	Ness
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<p>Priority Business</p>	<p>Uniform Shop update:  - Caroline talked about the written off stock and what to do with it, as no schools from flood affected areas wanted to take it- proposed sending to a clothing recycling program- all were in favour. <b>Caroline to follow up ethical disposal of written off stock</b>  - uniform shop will start to sell library bags  - there is a lot of second hand clothing currently in the uniform shop. <b>Caroline to advertise through newsletter and facebook group</b>  - P&amp;C will provide spares of underwear for the office to have for emergencies. <b>Fleur will purchase from Kmart.</b> All agreed on the spend</p> <p>Garden Grant spend: Sally reported that the grant needed to be spend ASAP and has spoken to Kate Summerville about how to spend the rest of the money. Ness will invoice \$3000 for the water tank and installation. <b>Sally to meet with Carlos (the new GA) to discuss a plan for the garden and a quick spend of the money.</b></p> <p>Lunchtimes- Faye spoke about the transition, and that it was difficult for some children, and in future more notice and communication would've made the changes easier. She suggested that the name 'Fruit break' could be a problem for some children who may not eat fruit and potentially 'Morning tea' might be better. She spoke about the structure of when 'fruit break' occurs and sought more information about if each classroom had consistent routines for it. Ness clarified that children can eat whenever they like during the lunch period and access their canteen purchases by visiting the canteen. She reported that the play first appears to be working well currently for most students and teachers.</p> <p>Canteen- There has recently been concerns in the parent community about keeping the canteen viable and how families would like to access it e.g. using an app. The canteen is run by the school, however it was discussed that the P&amp;C would like to assist in keeping the canteen afloat as they value it. Ness approved of P&amp;C members gathering some information and achievable proposals to present at the next meeting.  <b>-Amy Ginis will look into online ordering and apps, and their associated costs</b>  <b>-Fleur will consider putting together an online survey for parents to fill in, regarding what they would like for the canteen</b>  <b>-Ness will talk to Canteen manager Jen about what the needs of the canteen are</b></p>	<p>Caroline Thomas  Fleur    Sally Hawkins      Amy Ginis  Fleur  Ness</p>
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Any Other Business	<p><b>Class Parent representatives:</b> Nicky spoke of setting up of a parent from each class taking up the role of class parent representative, who would communicate with the teachers and send messages to parents as required. Ness was supportive of the P&amp;C to go ahead and organise this idea. <b>Nicky will follow up</b></p> <p><b>-Back to School Vouchers</b> are unlikely to be made available for use through the uniform shop. The administrative process to fix up our authority to act for the Australian Business register and then to set up to receive BTS vouchers will require too much effort.</p> <p><b>-Mothers Day Stall: Fleur has offered to take on organising the mothers day stall at school on Thursday May 11th.</b> She will request donations and a number of people said that they can help on the day. Sally suggested that we don't buy plastic items from catalogues or kmart, Michelle agreed saying we should try to support local businesses.</p> <p><b>Toilet breaks:</b> Nicky reported hearing from students that there was restrictions on using the bathrooms. Ness replied that, yes there has been some vandalism of bathrooms by students (an ongoing issue), but there are no out of the ordinary restrictions currently on bathroom use by students.</p> <p><b>School spectacular:</b> Eva brought an information sheet regarding opportunities for the school to be involved in the school spectacular in Sydney in November. Ness replied that BPS hasn't previously been involved due to Opera house music excursions, but agreed that the school spectacular may be something to be involved in the future. It was noted the the cut off date for applications was soon (23rd March and 6 April), but <b>Ness will put it forward to staff and see if there was an interest in co-ordinating an application this year or in coming years</b></p>	<p><b>Nicky</b></p> <p><b>exec working on the update of ABR authorities</b></p> <p>Fleur</p> <p>Ness to look into it</p> <p>Ness</p>
Date of next meeting and Close	The next terms P&C meetings will be held - 6.30 pm on the 15th May and 19th of June at the Bellingen Youth Hub.	Nicky