

Glenmore Road Public School School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday 19 May 2022

Time: 4.10pm

Place: Principal's office and virtual meeting using Zoom

In Attendance: Alexis Martin (Acting Principal)

Kathy Fitzgerald (GRPS Teacher Representative)

Lauren O'Neile (P&C President)

Dan Zammit (2022 Parent Member)

Tamsin Hunter (2022 Parent Member)

Apologies: Marina Olsen (2022 Parent Member)

1. Reports

1.1 Principal's report (AM)

Extracurricular timetable

- The new calendar has been completed and will be shared, The blue coloured text activities are led by GRPS staff and the black text are led by external providers
- The staff led programs include activities around sustainability, maths groups, learning support, choir, SRC
- The School Council acknowledged and thanked the Principal and staff of GRPS for all the effort they put into the extracurricular program

Assets and Maintenance

- The school court is being resurfaced later in the term and will take several weeks;
 department to advise exact timing
- Senior H classroom carpet is getting replaced in school holidays; it was damaged during the rainstorms
- The roof of this demountable classroom will also be fixed
- Air-conditioning AM requested that the P&C get a portable air conditioning unit for 2H that is reverse cycle (as part of the P&C air-conditioning donation program). The process





for this is done by the P&C donating the money to the school and the school purchases the unit.

Actions:

- LO/DZ to check if air-con can be reverse cycle and which unit based on the accounting and fundraising rules. The school will provide a recommendation for the unit type
- AM and LO to determine portable air-conditioning trial date for Term 3

1.2 School budget update (AM)

- The school has recently purchased a new set of laptops and 12 new iPads
- The school has arranged IT help each Wednesday
- AM is investigating synthetic grass to finish the outdoor learning space on the Cambridge St side of the school

1.3 P&C Report (LO)

- Recent P&C events include the Mother's Day stall and fundraiser
- A working bee is planned for June
- Later in the year the P&C is looking to do an art show and BBQ

2. Acceptance of minutes from 24 March 2022.

The minutes from the meeting on 24 March 2022 were accepted.

3. Business arising

School Start Times

- School start times AM emailed the Director. AM understands that changing the times will be a long and involved process
- A proposal is required and must be sent to the head of the Department. It needs to include:
 - Evidence of extensive consultation with staff, parents, community, Council, TfNSW, other schools, The Cottage, preschools
 - Reasons why the change is needed
 - Survey

Actions:





- AM to request proposal template from the Department
- DZ/MO to investigate the history of the start/finish time at the school and the historical reasons
- DZ/MO to investigate the NSW Govt school time trial (0800-1400), a potential survey of parents, carers, community and staff
- DZ to create a working group

The meeting closed at 5.18pm

Next meeting Thursday 11 August (week 4, term 3 2022)

Post meeting note:

 A number of parents have raised concerns to the School Council parent members about the state of the toilets, the need for a deep clean and more regular cleaning, supervision of children in and around the toilet, the need for a major refurbishment of the toilets to make them safe and healthy places as well as the need for gender inclusive toilets. This will be added to the agenda for the Term 3 meeting

