

Minutes of School Council Meeting

6.00pm, 4 June 2018 Staff Room

Attendance: Debbie Brandon (DB), Amber Cleary (AC), James Dolton (JD), Jessica Smith (JS), Robyn Webster (RW), Lynda Weiden (LW), Samantha Hicks (SH).

1. Reports

- Principal's Report

DB reported that the budget is on track overall. A small additional budget of \$1,300 has been provided to support additional staff requirements, particularly SAS.

The format of student reports has been modified. Areas of learning are now addressed with the following achievement descriptions: Working Beyond (WB), Working Above (WA), Expected Level (EL), Working Towards (WT), and Individual Learning Program (ILP). Effort is now shown using the scale 3 (high), 2 (expected) and 1 (low).

DB confirmed that the School is not required to go to tender for OSCH. The renewal of the Cottage agreement is in progress.

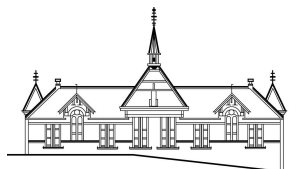
DB followed up on the Department's new website platform. General feedback indicates that the platform is still developing and will be better in a couple of years. DB will investigate the company who built the websites for South Coogee and Randwick Public Schools. Approximate costs are \$2,000 for set up and \$200 per year for hosting.

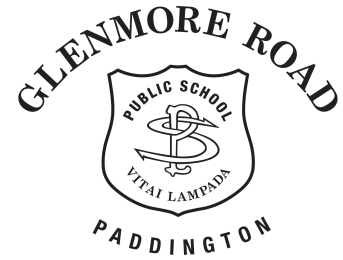
- P&C Report

JS updated the Council on the P&C's fundraising goals: 1. Science and Literacy; 2. Sensory Learning Projects; 3. Technology; 4. Air Conditioning; 5. Sports and Play; and 6. The Rainforest Project.

2. Business Arising

- Acceptance of minutes from 14 March 2018





AC proposed acceptance of the Minutes from 11 April, seconded by LW. The minutes were accepted.

- Review of mobile phone guidelines

DB presented Council with guidelines from comparable schools. Council discussed the high number of students owning phones and other devices, particularly in years 5 and 6. LW highlighted that many students use phones as cameras responsibly on excursions, but also that having a multitude of phones on excursions creates extra work and risk for teachers. All agreed that the guidelines should be widened to include suggested use for staff, parents and carers, i.e. the need for phones to be switched off or on silent during official school meetings and events. DB will make small changes to the School's guidelines as per the overall discussion.

DB provided Council with homework guidelines from comparable schools. Council will review these before the next meeting.

3. New Business

SC will review the permission to publish letter in relation to how photos are published by the school.

Next meeting: 4 July 6pm.

