

## **Minutes of School Council Meeting**

## 6.00pm, 9 May 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).

## **Apologies:**

- 1. Reports
- Principal's Report

DB thanked Darren Herbert for filling in for her while she was on annual leave, including attending the previous School Council meeting.

DB confirmed that the student welfare review group will meet in early June.

DB continues to look at different technology options including those used by other public schools, e.g. Schoolzine is a Newsletter solution being considered.

Expenditure to date is on track as per the budget. The school has applied for and received extra integration funding for special needs students SLSOs so we are now funded for 10 days per week.

DB announced that this term (term 2) there are five French classes (up from four in term 1) and one Spanish class.

DB also mentioned one parent requested a one-off market which is being considered.

• P&C Report

JS reported that the planned expenditure for the year was announced at the preceding P&C meeting. Expenditure will be focused on air conditioning for the five classrooms in the top of Buildings B and C, thirty laptops, a major revamp of the Rainforest and playground/sporting equipment.



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There will be a vision forum at 6pm on 23 May for interested parties to discuss environment / gardening / engaged project based learning and how parents can contribute.

2. Business Arising

Acceptance of minutes from 14 March 2018: AC proposed acceptance of the Minutes from 11 April, seconded by JS. The minutes were accepted.

The School's guidelines for social welfare, mobile phones and homework are to be reviewed by end of 2018. The Council will review the mobile phone guidelines at the 6 June meeting and the homework guidelines at the 4 July meeting. JD asked if it was possible to view guidelines from similar schools to see whether the School is in line with others in the wider community.

The Cottage agreement is up for renewal in 2019. DB has contacted the relevant person in the Department and as yet has had no reply so will follow that up.

Technology: DB confirmed that the top two considerations are improvements to the Website and Calendar of events. In a discussion around visible learning, SH mentioned the solution needs to consider teachers and the diverse ranges of their comfort zones with technology and also we need to consider the permission to publish for individual students (which could limit information published on the website). DB will investigate the Department's new School Website Service.

- 3. New Business
- No new business

Next meeting: 6 June 6pm.



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