



## **School Council Meeting Minutes - General Meeting 3 June 2015 at 6.00pm**

**Attendance:** Dorothy Bosnar (**DB**), Sonya Olsen (**SO**), Rebecca Hollands (**RO**), Darren Herbert (**DH**), Peter Stepto (**PS**), Christian Patterson (**CP**) and Harriet Price (**HP**)

**Apologies:** Stuart Crawford (**SC**) and John Wills.

### **1. Reports**

#### **Principal's Report**

In SC's absence, RH reported the following financials:

- \$566,165
- \$317,655 (expenses)
- \$194,510 (balance)
- \$233,384 (bank balance)

No financials were tabled.

RH also reported that:

- the 'Responsible, Respectful, Learners' system was under review;
- a professional learning and teaching mentoring/buddy system was being implemented; and
- the book show is planned for term 4.

#### **Parents & Citizens Report**

CP reported that:

- the P&C approved the purchase of 10 new laptops (approximate cost \$6500); and
- plans were underway for Carboot sale on 30 August.

## **2. Business Arising**

### **a. Acceptance of Minutes from 6 May 2015**

PS proposed that the minutes from the meeting 6 May 2015 be accepted. DB seconded this and it was unanimously resolved to adopt the minutes.

### **b. Language Committee Update**

HP reported that:

- the parent forums would take place on 13 August 2015 (at 9.30am and 6.30pm):
- the draft questions (tabled at the 6 May 2015 meeting) would be utilised to promote small group discussion and generate ideas; and
- it was envisaged that student and staff surveys be completed by the end of term 3.

### **c. Volunteer Policy & Guidelines for Implementation of Working With Children Check (WWCC)**

PS 'read through' the WWCC draft policy prepared by JW. All agreed that it was an excellent summary and PS thanked JW for his work.

It was agreed that HP would circulate a more refined draft in the School policy format/template and circulate for discussion and finalisation at the next meeting.

### **d. Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)**

Given the extra time, PS asked the new attendees for their views on BYOD. The following points were discussed:

- greater support/potential to use as a learning device in the senior years;
- some students more proficient than others;
- assist in transition to high school;
- junior years more challenging and time consuming;
- could cater well for different learning styles; and
- staff expertise and capacity would differ.

Next Council meeting - 5 August 2015 at 6pm.

The meeting concluded at approximately 8.00pm.