

Minutes of Meeting - Killara Public School P&C

June 19, 2013

Please note there was no email out to the school due to the DET email being down.

Meeting opened: 7.30pm by Michelle O’Dea.

Chairperson: Michelle O’Dea

In attendance: Kirsten Knight, Stella Sung, Melissa Lynch Hill, Alan Gardiner, Michelle O’Dea, Catriona Dixon, Unity Taylor-Hill.

Apologies: Micky Mylne, Theresa.

Correspondence: Adam Neith (shade sales), Barry O’Farrell.

Minutes: Minutes of previous meeting May 15 were accepted as true and correct.

Principal’s Report:

Busy Time for the school. Gearing up for another big term including the 75th Birthday celebration.

Buildings / Grounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maintenance Day was a tremendous success with an enormous amount of improvements to the school grounds completed during the afternoon• Installation of shade cloth over the tables in the playground• Installation of the musical playground• Extension of the car park• Landscaping of the front of school (existing gravel car park)
Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mrs Jane Broomfield has been appointed to replace Mrs Julie Renwick as Relieving Assistant Principal, Semester 2. Mrs Broomfield will join us with a tremendous wealth of experience in the K-2 classroom and leading stage programs.• Mr An Nguyen will be leaving KPS to pursue his career in personal training. Mrs Kate Walker will be joining the teaching staff at KPS and has extensive PE experience.• Sarah Brown will be joining the SASS staff in the role of library admin. Sarah has worked as a library technician for a number of years and will be a wonderful asset to our support staff.

OTHER REPORTS:

Uniform shop will be doing a Stock Take next Thursday 27 June.

Cathy Osmond reported back re ethics: “I had a meeting with the regional co-ordinator who said I would be approved; still waiting to hear back from them.”

Canteen: Loss \$250 stock due to testing by electrician. Unity to follow up.

Co-President's Report

See below.

Thank you note from Daniella Panyter regarding the Working Bee. A huge thank you to the 41 families who attended.

TREASURER'S REPORT

See attached.

P&C no longer has any financial responsibility for the band or strings.

The school only has responsibility for the strings.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Solar Plan – P&C is looking at a longer term solar plan. Already we have put aside \$20K for this year and plan to add to this. Research will be undertaken re costs. Those to include are Solar Text and Solimpeks Australia.

Co Presidents' report

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Working Bee

We thank Daniella Panyter for organising one of the most well attended working bees at KPS thus far.

Many of our wonderful parents arrived last Saturday, armed with the tools and enthusiasm to tackle a varied list of maintenance tasks. The school looks fabulous. Those who have not attended will be asked either attend the next maintenance day (most likely in term 4) or to contribute \$25 with 3rd term fees.

Type-a-thon books

Ms Cathy Roberts has been organising the books to be awarded to our type-a-thon fundraisers. Books are being donated by our school sponsor, McGrath Realty through Melissa Lynch Hill. The P&C is very grateful for McGrath's continued support.

P&C funded projects

Plans for the works on the school playground expansion and car park relocation have been scheduled for the holidays. We hope to have this completed for 3rd term return to school. Shade cloths will also be installed over the holidays.

KPS 75th birthday celebrations

The school birthday celebration involving the students is still on track for the 19th September . Unity, staff and Year 6 will have events for this organised.
P&C is providing cake for the celebrations.

Dinner dance is now in the planning for term 4. This will be a parents/carers/teachers only event.
The school has kindly agreed to produce a piece of Artwork per class for Auction on the evening.

School Crossing

Kuring gai Council recently recommended the removal of our school crossing to their Traffic Committee. The P&C is extremely concerned about this recommendation, particularly as we consider the figures used in the Council report as seriously deficient with regards to both pedestrian use and traffic volume. The P&C is actively opposing Council's recommendations.

We thank our Traffic Safety Coordinator, Caileen Cachia, for her thorough work, drafting submissions for arguing the school's position. Unity and Rachel Scholefield attended the Traffic Committee meeting at Council Chambers and made submissions to keep the crossing on the school's behalf.

Council subsequently revisited the crossing and took more data on pedestrian and vehicular usage. We are hopeful Council will reconsider their recommendations and act in the best interests of our children's safety as they travel to and from school.

We thank KPS parents and carers for their support in promoting and maintaining pedestrian safety.

Michelle O'Dea and Catriona Dixon
KPS P&C Co Presidents

MAINTENANCE DAY THANK YOU NOTE

Hello everyone,

I want to send a huge thankyou to everyone for their help on Maintenance Day last Saturday. The group (including children) did a marvellous job and Killara P&C and the school would like to extend their appreciation for your support and effort.
We achieved so many things in over 2 hours and thankyou to those who worked past 3.30pm to complete the transplanting of native grasses.

Some of the jobs we achieved:

Moving and spreading mountains of mulch in the playground areas.

Removing plants and weeding 2 huge garden beds on the school oval.

Moving and transplanting native grasses and creating lovely new garden beds around the school hall.

Poisoning and removing many noxious weeds such as lantana, privet and camphor laurel near the library area.

Weeding and trimming the "Bush Tucker Garden" (between the Kindy and Year 1-3 blocks), restoring the garden path, spreading and compacting crushed gravel.

General tidy up/ sweeping of paths.

Once again, thank you to all those involved in making this a very successful Maintenance Day.
Regards

Daniella Paynter
Maintenance Co-ordinator

GENERAL BUSINESS

No other business.

Meeting closed at 9pm.

Next meeting to be held on August 21 in the PAC at 9.15am,