

**CAMMERAYGAL HIGH SCHOOL
PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION**

Confirmed minutes from CHS P and C Association general meeting 2016.4, held on Tuesday 7 June 2016 at 7.00pm, in the CHS Performance Arts Theatre

Attendees: Elyse Sainty (President), Sarah Culhane (Vice-President), Victoria Waller (Vice-President), Anne-Lise Daniel (Secretary), Jenny Riseborough (Treasurer), Bernard Babus, Bridget Bobkowski, Angela Brothers, Jenny Dunne, Paul Fletcher, Johanna Graham, Annette Grundy, Katie Harris, Simon Harris, Douglas Hinds, Hanlie Hinds, Helena Johnstone, Belinda Kent, Libby Ling, Kathy Melky (Principal), Judy Monaghan, Alison Robson, Anna Warren.

Apologies: No apologies received.

The minutes are reported in the order of the agenda.

1. Welcome and apologies.

Elyse presented the acknowledgment to country and welcomed all attendees to the meeting. No apologies were received.

2. Minutes from previous meeting

Motion: That the Minutes from the 3 May 2016 meeting be accepted as a true record.

Moved: Alison Robson. Seconded: Belinda Kent.

Carried.

3. Business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

3.1 Outstanding items from previous meetings

Responsibility	Actions	Status
Meeting 2016/3 (3.5.16)		
Elyse	Write to the Department of Education to raise the P&C concerns about the safety of the court (item 8.2)	Letter has been drafted and will be sent if there is no satisfactory response from the Department to the concerns already raised by the School.
Srima	Prepare a report for Kathy on the Connective and SchoolStream apps (item 8.3)	Pending
Paul	Get a quote for two brimmed hat options from the uniform supplier (item 8.4) Include a note in the newsletter to encourage families to donate their second-hand items (item 8.4)	Pending Note included in latest newsletter
Anna/ Priscilla	Send details of their contact at Mater to Anthony McGirr (item 8.5)	Completed
Elyse	Organise a survey to get families' feedback on topics they would like to be presented at the P&C (item 10)	Ready to be sent. Additional suggestions made at the meeting.

4. Standing items

4.1 Collection of membership fee

As per agenda.

4.2 Working with Children check

As per agenda.

5. Correspondence

There was no correspondence to be noted.

6. Reports

6.1 Principal's report

Kathy reported on the following:

- Success of Performance Arts assembly held on Friday 3 June
- Impressive CHS students performance at the Eisteddfod on Monday 6 June
- CHS students participated in first competitive debate at Mosman High on 7 June. Did not win, but came first in one out of four of the debates.
- Reports are being written and are being reviewed by Kathy and Jodi. Lots of work has been done with the teachers to guide them to write meaningful comments that reflect the students' actual achievements.
- Parents-teachers meetings will be held on 27 and 29 of June
- Enrolments for 2017: the school has received enough applications to fill 100% of places with in-area students in 2017. At this stage out-of-area applications may not be accommodated.
- Aboriginal Educational Consultative Group will hold a meeting at the CHS on 15 June. P&C parents are invited to attend.

6.2 President's report

Elyse reported on the following:

- Free BBQ on Friday 3 June – thanks to those who helped.
 - Spent: \$225
 - Equipment: \$220 (set up costs including gas burner)
 - Profits to date from regular BBQs: \$45
- \$500 donation from Edward St Precinct confirmed for the mural
- All wish list items have been sponsored, with the P&C general and band funds contributing a small amount to top-up. The quote for the mural is still to be finalised.
- Elyse attended the "Collaboration Forum" (P&C Federation, NSW Parents' Council (independent schools) and Council of Catholic School Parents). The forum was worth attending. Some interesting points:
 - Former minister Verity Firth chaired well, Adrian Piccoli appeared briefly
 - Strong focus on evidence based improvement strategies
 - Collaboration about the child; collaboration about the school
 - Significant discussion re issues some schools have with confrontation – aggressive parents, fearful teachers

- Reflect on barriers to collaboration – time, language, jargon, focus on negatives, culture/expectations, “not fun”
- ...we are lucky

6.3 Treasurer’s report

As circulated prior to the meeting.

7. Governance

There was no item under this heading.

8. General business

8.1 Communication Sub-committee

The contact list had been sent out to all families who provided their contact details.

8.2 Community and Environment Sub-committee

Anna reported on the following:

- An application for a \$3,600 grant (three thousand six hundred dollars) has been submitted for the kitchen garden. The sub-committee is hoping for \$3,000 (three thousand dollars).
- Costing for screening along Pacific Highway to protect the lunch area came as approximately \$630 (six hundred and thirty dollars).
- Plastic-Free July campaign: supported by North Sydney Council. How could the school participate?

*Motion: That up to \$630 (six hundred and thirty dollars) be allocated to the purchase of plants and soil to be planted in the area along the Pacific Highway to screen the lunch area .
Moved: Vicky Waller. Seconded: Sarah Culhane.*

Carried.

8.3 Music Sub-committee

Bridget reported on the following:

- Concert band was Highly Commended at the Eisteddfod.
- All the items of the wishlist have been ordered and some have already arrived.
- Still looking for music tutors
- Looking for contacts at aged-care facilities to organise events with the Music Ensemble
- Students can still join the music Ensemble.

8.4 Social and fund-raising Sub-committee

Belinda reported on the following:

- A parents and kids social events will be held on Sunday 19 June at the Longueville Bowl Club
- The P&C will held a cake staff Election Day, 2 July. A call for baked goods will go out to families.

8.5 Sports Sub-committee

Alison reported on the following:

- The Sub-committee had established a code of conduct which all students participating in P&C sport have been asked to sign.
- Basketball competition is ending. New competition is starting. There are still a few spots on some of the teams.
- Futsal team is being set up for Term 3

Action: Kathy to follow-up with the teachers about what equipment can be wear by students when playing zone soccer.

8.6 Uniform Sub-committee

There was report from the Uniform Sub-committee.

9. Presentation by school staff: "Tell them for me" survey

Jodi Arrow presented the results of the "Tell them for me" survey.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9:00pm.

Remaining meeting dates for 2016 (First Tuesday of the month during school term)

Term 3 (19 July - 23 September): 2 August; 6 September

Term 4 (10 October - 16 December): 1 November; 6 December (AGM)