

**APPROVED minutes from CHS P and C Association meeting 2020.1, held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 at 6:45pm, at the CHS Junior Campus in the Staff Common Room**

**In Attendance:** Srima McQuillan (chair), Angela Pearson (minute taker), Brinda Balakrishnan, Bridget Bobkowski, John Bosnor, Andrew Boyce, Angela Brothers, Chris Chambers, Janice Choy, Maryanne Docker, Kristina Dodds, Mark Flynn, Meera Gopakumar, Joanna Graham, Jennifer Harkins, Ben Hunter, Charlotte Hunter, Sara Klug, Julie-Anne Lacko, Laurens Libeton, Karine Marr, Stephanie Nicholls, Yemi Penn, George Petrides, Damian Vassius, Cecilia Wong, Kathy Melky (Principal) and Jodi Arrow (Deputy Principal)

Apologies: Allison Fox, Jane Merrett

The minutes are reported in the order of the agenda.

**1. Welcome and apologies.**

Srima McQuillan opened the meeting at 6:50pm noting a quorum was present then welcomed returning members and new to the meeting.

**1.1 Collection of membership fee**

\$22 was collected from attendees

**2. Minutes from previous meeting**

**Motion:** that the Minutes from the 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019 meeting be accepted as a true record.

**Moved:** Andrew Boyce

**Seconded:** Karine Marr

**Carried**

**3. Business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting**

Responsibility	Actions	Status
Meeting 2019.8 (03-Dec-19)		
K Melky	Confirm (smaller) Senior school bag with Noone	Completed
K Melky	Investigate possibility of second parent email address for school newsletters and communications	Agenda item 5.1
K Melky	Table list of school and faculty needs early in 2020	Agenda item 5.1
S McQuillan	Call for additional committee members for Communications, Community & environment and Sports	Agenda item 5.2

**4. Correspondence**

The P&C received a letter from a member of the school community requesting the school uniform include an option for a skirt for summer months. A copy of the letter was circulated prior to the meeting.

Kathy advised that she does not believe another skirt is required since:

- the fabric was specifically chosen when the school commenced because of the quality / durability of the fabric; and

- she is reluctant to bring in another skirt (a summer option) because she does not want more expense for parents.

Jo Graham advised that Noone (uniform shop) agreed with Kathy's comments and also advised that in their experience, 2 skirts (a winter and a summer option) had not worked well at other schools.

Jodi Arrow noted that some of the senior girls were wearing the shorts on the West Street campus.

Srima asked the members at the meeting for a show of hands for those who did NOT want to proceed with a summer skirt option.

On a show of hands, the majority of members present agreed that the P&C should not proceed with a summer skirt option.

## **5. Reports**

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

Kathy thanked the parents and staff for all the help to coordinate and to those who attended the 'Welcome Night' at the senior campus. It was a great success. Numbers were down on the previous year but that was to be expected since 2019 was the first year the West Street campus was open.

The school now has 790 students across both sites including 155 year 7 students.

Kathy introduced two new head teachers to the P&C and advised that the school is re-invigorating the school clubs and music program.

Kathy advised that the official opening of the senior campus is scheduled for 16 March. A smoking ceremony will be conducted by a descendant of the Cammeraygal people.

Kathy advised that the school has a new business manager and that they submitted to the Dept of Education an invoice for approx.. \$36, 000 to pay the P&C for voluntary contributions received to date (note: monies received by the P&C on Wednesday 4 March).

With respect to action items from the previous meeting:

#### ***2<sup>nd</sup> email address***

Kathy advised that the system used by the school does not allow for a second email address per student BUT, the school can include a second email address if required. Parents / carers can contact the school so this can be done manually.

#### ***School and faculty needs for 2020***

Kathy asked the P&C to consider helping to fund the following items:

- \$30,000 for an electronic sign on the West Street campus (similar to the one on the Pacific Highway campus); and
- \$20,000 for a quality shade cloth on the green at the Pacific Highway campus

### **5.2 President's report**

Srima thanked the social committee for co-ordinating the 'Welcome Night'.

Srima also noted that the new sports administrator role was working out well but noted that more help was needed.

**Action: Seek volunteers to assist with various aspects of the P&C run sports.**

### 5.3 Treasurer's report

The Treasurer's report to 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020 was circulated prior to the meeting, Angela talked to the report.

### 5.4 Subcommittee Reports

#### Wellbeing Subcommittee

Karine advised that she has been working with Jodie Arrow and the new teacher in charge of wellbeing Ms Hakimi. They are looking at the following programs:

- Tomorrow man for the boys
- a suitable program for the girls
- study skills / organisation / etc

#### Social Subcommittee

The following events are being considered:

- Mothers day breakfast Thursday 7 May (Pacific Highway campus)
- Dads night out in Term 2
- Fathers day breakfast in Term 3 (Pacific Highway campus)
- Mums night out in Term 3
- Trivia night October / November

## 6. General Business

### 6.1 Upcoming social events

The annual Mothers day breakfast has been locked in for Thursday 7 May (Pacific Highway campus). Chris Chambers will run the event again.

### 6.2 Motions on Notice

#### 6.2.1 Funding request

A funding request for sporting equipment was circulated prior to the meeting and tabled for approval at the meeting.

**Motion:** That the P&C approve the funding request for new sporting equipment for basketball, netball and tennis to a total value of \$1,540.60.

**Moved:** Laurens Liberton

**Seconded:** Jo Graham  
**Carried**

### 6.2.2 Funding request

An invoice in excess of the approved amount for the Robotics club was received. It was circulated prior to the meeting and tabled for approval at the meeting.

**Motion:** That the P&C approve an additional \$328.97 (over the original \$2,000) for the Robotics club and iSTEM classes for robotics equipment.

**Moved:** Karine Marr

**Seconded:** Stephanie Nicholls

**Carried**

### 6.3 Introduction of new Head Teachers and information on extracurricular clubs for students

#### **Zacc Abbott**

Zacc is the librarian on the Pacific Highway site. He is now also taking on the role of co-ordinator of the extra curricular clubs. Zacc ran through all of the clubs that are now available to students.

The timetable will be included in the next newsletter, included in the school's website, put up on Sentral and Zacc will talk at the students at assembly.

#### **Chris Wu**

Chris is the new head teacher for HSIE. The HSIE faculty is the largest in the school with 13 teaching staff.

Chris' faculty goals for 2020:

- Skills;
- Literacy;
- Extended writing to prepare for stage 6

#### **Nordin Zuber**

Nordin is the new head teacher for maths (coming from North Sydney Boys High).

Nordin's mission for 2020:

- Improve offering for talented students;
- Targeted support for students that require support;
- Mathematics enrichment program

Nordin discussed the possibility of asking the P&C for a contribution in the future for a 'whiteboard room' and how his whiteboard room worked well for the students at North Sydney Boys High.

In addition, Nordin advised that he intends to communicate with parents more regularly on 'core' maths skills.

#### **6.4 Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade objection discussion**

Kristina Dodds spoke about the upgrade.

Larissa Penn from the Cammeray Public School community spoke about the impact that the upgrade and the impact it will have on the green spaces in the community.

Any submission must be clear if it is an objection to part or all of the proposal and must specifically use the words 'I object ...' otherwise it will simply be noted as a general comment.

Submissions are due by 30 March.

***Action: Kristina to draft an objection to the upgrade on behalf of the P&C.***

*There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8:00pm.*