



TIGHES HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL

P&C ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

Term 1, Week 3

8 February 2016

1. **Attendance:** Tony Selwood, Mary Crump, Ben Collis, Kristen Tola, Kaylene Hanright, Tai Bawden, Anita Watts, Ali Raine, Jenny Tarran, Sam Rutherford, Michael Badier, Alison Ayling, Limerick Kaye, Nicole Daniel, Larelle Haug, Zeita Mason, Lauren Branson, Alex Wegner, Lynda Sorby, Phillip Burgess, Rachelle Wills, Rachelle McCulloch, Nuria Mestres, Dom Willson, Steve Curry, Tamaryn Curry, Rebecca Johnston, Belinda Jones, Jane Lander
- Apologies:** Jacquelynn McGowan, Kristy Nicol, Hayley Peterson, Kristy Crooks, Neil McIlhinney, Chris Tola, David Ryan

2. **Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting:** Accepted (moved – Ben Collis, Seconded – Kaylene Hanwright)

3. Principals Report – attached

- Computer Room – this was removed to accommodate an increase in classes for 2016
- Ms Deanne Brown – gained a Deputy Principal's position at end of Term 4 – recruitment for the position is now happening
- Absences – please utilise the School App for notifications that your child/ren will be away from school
- Resource pack – all students require these – price varies depending on class
- Request for P&C to fund \$10 per student for bus travel

MOTION (Ben Collis) - P&C to subsidise \$10 per student in 2016 for the cost of bus travel

CARRIED - P&C members voted to provide \$10 subsidy per student for bus travel in 2016

- Athletic Carnival – to be held in Term 1 at Glendale
- Canteen – With the new agreement and the Canteen opening 5 days a week, the Principal and staff have appreciated not having to worry about chasing volunteers to help out
- Principal will send a request for parent representatives on the staff recruitment panel - via the School App

4. Presidents Report

- **Welcome** – Thanks to all of the parents of new students for coming along. A reminder that you can join the P&C for \$2 per year – also, non-members are also welcome to attend P&C meetings, but a reminder that only financial members can vote. We also always need volunteers to help out with various activities throughout the year. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for information about what's happening. We also have P&C minutes and information on the school website.
- **What the P&C funds** - \$10 subsidy per student for bus travel, books for the Library and presentation days, sport uniforms, the School App, purchase of the ukuleles, funding of initiatives like Art Cave and Chill Out Zone, Musica Viva, support groups, Yr 6 Farewell, and investing in resources (school piano, whitegoods for the canteen), and the playground upgrade.
- **Reminder** – all parents, please remember to put your child's name on EVERYTHING.

5. Actions arising



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- Plaque for new playground. IN PROGRESS – Ben Collis is working towards getting the wording engraved on a plaque for the new playground.

6. ITEM 1: School Fete 2016

- The Fete Committee will meet in the next few weeks – keep an eye out for a note/information
- The date will be last Friday in October – 28th
- Organisers – Ben Collis, Ben Coker
- Possible theme = CIRCUS

7. ITEM 2: Class allocations

- Are there any alternatives for informing students about their teacher at the start of the year?
 - This is difficult to do. The Principal prefers not to start the year with students in their classes from last year
 - It is difficult to tell students who their teacher will be any earlier, due to changes in student numbers and teacher commitments
 - The Principal is committed to ensuring a smooth transition for students with their new teachers, and would prefer to make as little changes in the start of term

8. ITEM 3: Second Hand Clothing

- The P&C runs a second-hand uniform pool
- Uniforms are kept in plastic tubs in the Community Room
- Call for volunteers to open/facilitate sales of the second-hand uniforms
- Note – we don't want to clash with the School Uniform Supplier Shop sales
- Request for volunteers –
 - ACTION:** Rachelle McCulloch and Alison Ayling will sell second-hand uniforms on Thursdays for the first few weeks of each term, starting now
 - ACTION:** Sam Rutherford (Treasurer) to arrange a \$20 float
 - ACTION:** Ali Raine (Vice President Publicity) to advertise the second-hand clothing pool sales dates, starting Weeks 3 & 4 on Thursdays at 8.45-9.15am

9. ITEM 4: Uniform Review

- In 2016 the school uniform will be reviewed
- Consultation will happen, with our current uniform supplier and the SRC
- Suggestion – consider an iron-on patch or sew-on transfer for plain items

10. ITEM 5: Bunnings BBQ

- We have secured 2 dates – Sunday 28th February 9am – 4pm & Sunday 19 June
- Volunteers are needed
- Ali Raine will run the first BBQ – please see Ali to volunteer for a 2-hour slot

11. Finance

- **Treasurer's Report – tabled**
- November- P&C funds \$4909.80
 - Canteen \$6000.00
 - Cash Reserve \$18000.00
 - TOTAL \$29535.99



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- December- P&C funds \$2854.57
Canteen \$6427.64
Cash Reserve \$18497.68
TOTAL \$27779.89
- Outgoings- Yr 6 Farewell
Rainbow Treasure Hunt
Art Cave supplies
- Income- Membership fees
Donation – Jody Kell & music kids
Carols Night
Mangoes & Cherries fundraiser
Rainbow Treasure Hunt – NCC grant
- There was a discussion about the Canteen funds and whether we should now move them
ACTION: Treasurer will move the Canteen funds into the Cash Reserve account
- Accounts for Payment
Motion: Tai Bawden asked the P&C to approve the purchase of gift items for the Mother's Day stall. **Carried.**

12. P and C Initiatives

- **Canteen Committee**
 - The Canteen is under new operators – on trial for Term 1
 - There was a discussion about the new menu and changes to the canteen operations
 - We talked about the red/amber/green light food audit from 2015, and discussed some items on the new menu
 - We discussed the need to seek feedback from students and parents on the changes to canteen operations
Motion: A motion was put forward for the P&C to change the Canteen Committee to a consultative or steering committee consisting of 5 P&C members. **Carried.**
- **Fundraising Committee**
 - Auto Cloud*
 - Kaylene Hanwright handed around a brochure for Auto Cloud
 - If you mention Tighes Hill Public School when purchasing a car, we can receive benefits
 - Newcastle Permanent fundraiser*
 - The rules have changed when you mention our school, but we aren't sure what the changes are
ACTION: Kristen Tola agreed to contact the Newcastle Permanent representative to find out the changes, and report back to the P&C
 - Movie Day*
 - We are trying to decide on a suitable movie and dates
 - Tentative date = Sunday 29 May (Term 2, Week 6)
 - Welcome Family event*
 - It was decided that the P&C will host a Sunday afternoon welcome at Islington Park
 - Tentative – 13 March 2pm
ACTION: Kristen Tola will contact Newcastle City Council to check that no other large events are happening in Islington Park on that date



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Motion: Fundraising Committee requested \$200 from the P&C for the meet and greet event. **Carried.**

Trivia Night

- One of our parents, Kristy Crooks, has proposed to run a trivia night at the Maryville Tavern as a fundraiser
- The P&C supports this event in principle

P&C Facebook page

- Parents, please support the P&C and its fundraising activities. If you "like" our posts on Facebook, they will appear in more news feeds. Thanks

• **Garden and sustainability Committee**

General gardening

- One of our dedicated parents, Dale Garbutt, regularly comes up to the school on mornings to work in the garden
- Parents (and students) are encouraged to get involved – say hi to Dale next time you see him
- Please feel free to go into the garden, wander around, do some weeding or watering, and mostly have fun, get involved and enjoy!

13. General Business

• **Limerick Kaye – Ukulele classes**

- In 2015, Limerick taught years 5 & 6 how to play the ukulele, and also ran a ukulele club after school on Tuesdays (open to all interested students)
- Limerick gives thanks to the P&C for buying the 32 ukuleles for our school
- Limerick has gone on to publish a teaching manual as a result of the classes

• **Lynda Sorby – compulsory contributions**

- Lynda asked the Principal to communicate more clearly about the voluntary \$35 contribution required
- This is essentially the annual school fees for each student
- There was a discussion about whether the P&C can assist, but the Principal deems this to be a school matter that he will address

• **Kaylene Hanwright – Ukulele Club**

MOTION: Kaylene asked the P&C to sponsor the Ukulele Club with a food platter to be sourced through the canteen. **Not carried.**

- This was discussed, as were a number of alternatives – it was agreed that each student attending should bring one piece of fruit to share, and if this does not work, then the P&C will consider supporting the group

Meeting Close: 8.05pm

Next meeting: Term 1 – Week 8

14 March

6-8pm