



# KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

## P & C Association

### General Meeting Minutes - 2019

<b>Chairperson:</b> Debbie Lawson – 2019 Vice President		<b>Location:</b> Kent Road Public School Hall	
<b>Date:</b> 18 March 2019 (Term 1 Week 8)		<b>Meeting Type:</b> General Meeting	
<b>Meeting commenced:</b> 7.30pm		<b>Meeting adjourned:</b> 8.30pm	
<b>Minutes taken by:</b> Stacey Tsui (2019 Secretary)			
<b>Attendees:</b>		<b>Position:</b>	<b>Copies:</b>
Eva Urban	EU	2019 President Elect	1
Debbie Lawson	DL	2019 Vice President	1
Diane Samu	DS	2019 Treasurer	1
Stacey Tsui	ST	2019 Secretary	1
Kris Arnold	KA	2019 Events Team Leader	1
Pieta Carroll	PC	2019 Events Team; Book Club Coordinator	1
Evelyn Sozou	ES	2019 Events Team; Book Club Coordinator	1
Fran Martinelli	FM	2019 Uniform Shop Support Coordinator	1
Jun Guo	JG	2019 Events Team	1
Melanie Marcellino	MM	Member	1
Simone Leo	SL	Member	1
Mita Brierley	MB	Member	1
Aung Thant	AT	Member	1
May Thant	MT	Member	1
Vaishnavi Sundar	VS	Member	1
<b>Apologies:</b>			
Donna Armstrong	DA	2018 Events Team	1
Lisa Ponton	LP	2019 Events Team	1
Isabella Tan	IT	2019 Class Parent Coordinator	1
Andrew Brackley	AB	Member	1
Fiona McNeill	FM	Member	1
Samantha Yep	SY	Member	1
Rukiya Stein	RS	Member	1
Kerry Novkovic	KN	Member	1
Lisa Tang	LT	Member	1
Henry Mantophani	HM	Member	1
Leanne McKay	LM	Member	1
Danhong Yu	DY	Member	1
Meredith Sanders	MS	Member	1
Li Zhang	LZ	Member	1
Stacey Varady-Szabo	SVS	Member	1
Jenny Dinh	JD	Member	1
Michelle Jia	MJ	Member	1
Jack Liu	JL	Member	1
Chavalin Svetanant	CS	Member	1
Fiona McNeill	FM	Member	1
<b>School Representatives:</b>			
Denise Minifie	DM	Principal	1
Jessie Hossack	JH	Assistant Principal	1
Fiona Hamilton	FM	Assistant Principal	1
Chauntal Gwynne	CG	Assistant Principal	1
Jane Waddell	JW	Assistant Principal	1



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<b>Additional Distribution:</b> Karen Silsby	KRPS Office Administrator	1
<b>Signed:</b> Stacey Tsui	Date: 18 March 2019	

Discussion	Action
<p><b>1 Welcome</b></p>	
<p>1.1 Welcome by 2019 Vice President Debbie Lawson.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>1.2 Election of 2019 President: Eva Urban nominated by Debbie Lawson. Seconded by Kris Arnold.</p>	<p>Approved</p>
<p>1.3 Election of 2019 Student Banking Coordinator: Debbie Lawson self-nominated. Seconded by Kris Arnold.</p>	<p>Approved</p>
<p><b>2 Confirmation of previous Meeting Minutes</b></p>	
<p>2.1 Minutes for last General Meeting approved by Debbie Lawson, seconded by Evelyn Sozou.</p>	<p>Approved</p>
<p><b>3 Correspondence &amp; Announcements</b></p>	
<p>3.1 Nil</p>	
<p><b>4 Business Arising</b></p>	
<p>4.1 Nil</p>	
<p><b>5 President's Report</b></p>	
<p>5.1 Nil</p>	
<p><b>6 Treasurer's Report</b></p>	
<p>6.1 Handover from Rhatih (2018 Treasurer) to Diane Samu (2019 Treasurer) completed. Balances below are as at 18 March 2019.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>6.2 Balance in main account \$159,234.94</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>6.3 Uniform Shop: \$38,214.85</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p><b>7 Principal's Report</b></p>	
<p>7.1 Ben Harrison is away on leave for two weeks, Fiona Hamilton is now back.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>7.2 Harmony Day this Thursday. Harmony activities will happen all week. On Thursday students encouraged to wear orange. Two sessions arranged for students on Thursday (K-2 and 3-6) to watch the Ugandan Hope Choir performance. The choir is a group of students at risk of poverty, and all funds from the performance go towards the Ugandan villages where the choir is from. To supplement the performance, class teachers will be doing harmony day activities in classrooms.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>7.3 Anzac Day – school service on 11<sup>th</sup> April. On the last Thursday of school holidays, a dawn service will be held at North Ryde RSL (school captains and vice captains will attend).</p>	<p>Note</p>

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7.4 Easter Hat Parade (K-2) – on Tuesday week 11. Notes went home today, as well as notes for the Easter raffle. K-2 students will be singing two songs. Performance will be held in Kindergarten playground (weather permitting).	Note
7.5 Many excursions and incursions planned over the coming weeks: Zoo Snooze, Field of Mars excursion, Blue Mountains, Antarctica incursion. Year 1 will go to the Schoolhouse Museum. Excellent opportunity for kids to go back in time to the 1800s. Kids dress up in pinafores, do a maypole dance, write on slate etc. This year we have opted to take buses there, as previously there has been rain. It is a nice way to end Year 1 history unit.	Note
7.6 Year 2 Zoo Snooze: will go in two groups. Students getting very excited. This is the third time we are camping in tents. Departure 4.30pm, and then return midday the following day.	Note
7.7 Each year there is a school plan with three categories: learning, leading and engaging. EALD project team formed with two days of professional learning for teachers. Helps teachers assess where students are at in relation to English language and targeting strategies to help kids in class.	Note
7.8 STEM pedagogy project. Each grade will be implementing a STEM project. Example: kids designed a tag to help them find their school bag. Designed a prototype, tested it out. Enabled kids to find a solution to a real life project. 3D printers available for the project.	Note
7.9 Differentiated literacy and numeracy learning to target kids' learning. Extra teachers employed through Gonski funding.	Note
7.10 Speech program underway. Tori is a wonderful resource and a massive help for teachers.	Note
7.11 Best Start has been undertaken and completed.	Note
7.12 Teachers will participate in training for the iPlay project, as discussed at previous P&C meetings (see previous minutes).	Note
7.13 Three teachers participated in external training for a drama program.	Note
7.14 Three school band (junior, intermediate and senior bands) now well underway.	Note
7.15 Students going to a debating day this week.	Note
7.16 Zone swimming: junior boys won a champions trophy. Massive boost for those kids.	Note
7.17 Leading: Mungo Youth Project in May. Ms Minifie will take 10 students to Mungo to participate in leadership activities.	Note

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<p>7.18 Older kids asked about assemblies, which have now been reinstated fortnightly. In the next period, there will be a hoarding put across the back of the hall (due to the school build project). Might be a squeeze to fit K-2 in the hall from that point. We want to maintain assemblies and giving the kids opportunities to see each other perform and recognise each other's achievements, so we will work on alternatives whilst the school build is in progress.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>7.19 Student leaders went to a leadership conference at the ICC. Many motivational speakers talking about resilience, goal setting etc. Very impactful for the kids.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>7.20 Engagement: reinstated performance groups on Fridays for Years 3-6. Year 2 will also be involved. K-1 working on a similar model. The groups will be developed so each child can perform at the end of the year. Activities will include dance groups, ballroom dancing, line dancing etc. Some activities are in rotations, some are static groups. E.g. there is a specific flute group (for kids doing flute in band), also guitar, recorder and ukulele groups. Some other activities are non-performance based and include robotics and film making. For these activities, the school will try to film them for parents to see.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>7.21 School build: demolition is underway. "1" block will be refurbished starting in the next few days. An extra set of toilets will go near the Year 6 demountables. Students know this is a year of change. New grass has taken quite well (at new Kent Rd entrance) providing extra playing space. We will have this area for a couple of months for the kids to play on. Outdoor ping pong tables arrived last week, kids are loving those. Soccer nets will be ordered next. Ordered outdoor storage containers for K-1 equipment. Year 2 play equipment will be dismantled in the coming weeks (sports courts will go there).</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>7.22 After school activities now include creative writing and Code for Fun. Bookings going very well.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>7.23 New technology syllabus introduced this year includes a lot of coding and robotics. Looking at bringing in a company called Scope IT to give the lesson to kids, but involves a fee. Would be similar to gym and dance programs in previous years (which will not go ahead this year given the hall refurbishment). Cost around \$6 per lesson (around \$60 for all sessions). Involves very hands on lessons as Scope IT would bring in 30 laptops (one for each child). Would replace another technology lesson given by school teachers, and would be open to all kids in school hours. This program would help introduce more complex coding concepts to kids at an earlier stage. Includes using Scratch and other coding software. Ms Minifie is seeking parent and student feedback on this program. Generally considered by P&amp;C meeting attendees to be a good idea.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>7.24 Parent teacher interviews: option to bring interviews earlier (at the end of term 1/beginning of term 2) to provide parents and teachers with the opportunity to raise any issues earlier. Ms</p>	

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<p>Minifie seeking feedback on this option. Generally considered by P&amp;C meeting attendees to be a good idea.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>7.25 Question about footpath behind the hall (entrance from Kent Rd), especially after all the rain and mud. Confirmed that a temporary walkway has been ordered.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>7.26 Pop up bubblers? School can look into it.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p><b>8 Events Team's Report</b></p>	
<p>8.1 Leftover mothers and father's day stock is still available. Events team will look into placing orders and asking for later delivery (so storage can be organised).</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>8.2 Unfortunately no election barbeque or cake stall this year given the school build that is going on.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>8.3 Will there be an event for the Federal election around May? We will need to know the state of the school hall around that time before the Events team can confirm.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>8.4 Easter egg raffle baskets will be wrapped Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April and will be drawn on following Tuesday.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p><b>9 Class Parent Coordinator Report</b></p>	
<p>9.1 On behalf of Isabella Tan: all classes have been assigned a Class Parent and hopefully most classes would have received the introduction letter from the Class Parent.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>9.2 Office has been sent the Class Parent list for inclusion in the School Newsletter this week.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>9.3 Many thanks to Denise, Karen, and the other administration staff for all their help, and also to Mel for answering my questions.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p><b>10 Uniform Shop Coordinator's Report</b></p>	
<p>10.1 Total balance in the Uniform account as of today is \$38,214.85. The PayPal balance is \$108.85. Total outstanding is \$7261. (cheque has been drawn waiting for signatures). Working balance of \$31,061.85.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>10.2 Uniform shop is still busy, hasn't slowed down at all. Unfortunately, supplier of girls' long winter pants can no longer supply to KRPS. Another supplier found that can do majority of the girls' range at a cheaper price. Girls' pants on offer through the new supplier are a bit different, more like a yoga/dance pant. Kate Mason suggested a uniform committee be formed to decide on uniform supplier before the next P&amp;C meeting. Potential new supplier uses organic cotton, bamboo and recycled plastic bottles as materials.</p>	<p>Note</p>

<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>
10.3 Fran to find a short term supplier for the girls' pants, as size 6 (kindergarten sizes) are out of stock.	Note
10.4 An informal uniform committee to be formed to discuss new uniform supplier: Fran Martinelli, Evelyn Sozou and Simone Leo volunteered.	Note
<b>11 Book Club Coordinator's Report</b>	
11.1 In process, will be ready for Term 2.	Note
<b>12 Other Business</b>	
12.1 Some classrooms have no Smart board. School has been chasing up supplier since January, will continue to do so.	Note
12.2 When will demolition happen? Some may happen during school hours. But school learning areas are sufficiently far away from demolition zones.	Note
12.3 Next meeting: Monday 17 June	Note
<b>13 Meeting adjourned: 8.40pm.</b>	