

## **Belrose Public School P&C Minutes**

**7<sup>th</sup> April, 2009.**

### **Welcome by P&C Vice President**

Meeting opened by Sharon Lacey at 7:47pm.

Meeting is occurring a week early due to school holidays. P&C felt it was important to review and pass the 2009 P&C budget.

### **Attendees:**

Sonia Powell, Sinead Mayer, Michelle Hackshall, Michelle Swaveley, Karen Fuller, Lara Lambkin, Jenny de Wilde, Jan Cohen, Sharon Lacey, Betina Simpson, Yvonne Broadfoot, Jenny Durante, Sandra Wigzell, Rachelle Sorbara, Pamela Macri, Siobhan Douglas Robertson.

### **Apologies:**

Bernardette Slattery, Kim Ryan

### **Minutes of last meeting**

- Minutes available on BPS website.

Actions from previous meeting:

- Water tank proposal by student leaders
- Investigation of grass netball court
- Lawn mowing issue
- Apex prize
- Softfall

Moved by Karen Fuller and seconded by Sonia Powell.

### **Correspondence (Betina Simpson)**

ED. Dept letter regarding money given to the school this quarter. A lot of Fundraising literature that was given to Sonia Powell.

### **Principals Report (Mrs. Cohen)**

Technology: Ed. Dept. to inspect 10 rooms that are to be earmarked for interactive whiteboards in terms of suitability. The order will then be placed early in term 2. One that is free from the government due for arrival late May.

Thank you to Rob Mayer who organised Panasonic to take 10 Year 6 students on a computer animation course. These students are preparing a short film.

The staff professional development day will be held at Macquarie Uni. And will be on animation and photoshop using white board technology.

Money from 2008 Year 6 was used to purchase a Digital Camera.

Ausplay- is closed and requires softfall. Ed. Dept states it does not meet OH and S policy standards and due to the number of injuries, this equipment needs softfall. Betina S asked if the Flying Fox meets OH and S standards.

Apparently with proper softfall it will and only Year 4 up are suppose to use it. The monkey bars are only to be used by those who can stand and reach the bars.

Mrs Cohen received from Ed. Dept a Canteen Intelligent food guide. To be given to Jenny F.

Hall Sound System Upgrade- has had 2 quotes with 2 different ideas. Wireless option will cut down on installation costs. Yvonne B suggested grill around outside speakers to protect them from vandals. Michelle S. suggested we call other schools regarding wireless system. No quotes finalised as yet. It is also unknown what will be covered by "Stimulus Package" and /or P&C.

Education Day: Books will be sold at the library. Band and choir will perform. Sonia P asked if Mrs. Cohen wanted lunch catered for. Betina S. asked if the Dance Group could perform.

Mrs. Cohen congratulated Michelle S. and those who helped out for the great looking grounds.

As we had no major projects nominated as of end 2007 we did not get any government handouts in the Round1 offers.

### **Treasurers Report (Rachelle Sorbara)**

Full report attached, in summary as follows:

- No Family Contributions paid over to the P&C from the school but it will occur at the end term.
- Fundraising: fire relief cup cake day and \$195 from IGA.
- Clothing pool: Profit of approx. \$1000 although accounts need to be paid.
- Grounds: had some great donations for the gardening day therefore low costs. IGA donated the drinks. \$50 voucher donated from Woolworths. Costs on the day were \$55.
- Infrastructure: nothing paid as yet.

Softfall: Court Craft have not turned up to quote. 2nd quote \$22,000 to softfall Ausplay (quote entered in to minutes). Will need to get another quote (Sharon L suggested Grass Resolutions). Natural softfall (wood chips) for under Moduplay, will cost \$70/m2. Different heights of softfall are required under different equipment pieces. Yvonne B. asked if flying fox could be removed. Mrs de Wilde suggested it be lowered. Stimulus package may pay for softfall. Require more information.

- Building Fund: nothing paid as yet.

### **Expenditure Vote: from budget presented at last month's P&C meeting.**

Sharon L explained you have to be a financial member to vote and have attended 2 previous P&C meetings.

#### **GENERAL FUND**

1. \$40,000 for school resources	FOR	15	AGAINST	0
2. Grounds \$2,000	FOR	15	AGAINST	0
3. Whiteboards \$30,000 (\$25,000 from General Fund)				
	FOR	15	AGAINST	0
4. Softfall \$15,000	VOTE DEFERED DUE TO INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION.			

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE FUND**

- Softfall \$5,000 VOTE DEFERED DUE TO INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION.
- NOTED: Yvonne B. asked if quotes for grass netball court could be presented and the money left over from 2008 sport and infrastructure fund be spent on the court.

## BUILDING FUND

1. Whiteboards \$5,000	FOR	15	AGAINST	0
2. Installation of Whiteboards \$10,000	FOR	15	AGAINST	0
3. Hall Sound System up to \$8,000	FOR	15	AGAINST	0
4. Computer Room \$10,000	FOR	15	AGAINST	0

Rachelle S. would like to try and utilise building fund as money has been there for nearly 10 years and many of the families who contributed are leaving the school. Approximately 18-20K will remain in the Building Fund.

## Band

No report.

Sandra W. Mentioned the need for new members next year. Yvonne B. band is a great programme with many exciting events e.g.: opera house. The band needs parent support.

## Book Club (Pamela Macri)

Book club is an incentive based system with many rewards.

1. Number system- library gets big ticket items
2. Bonus Coupons- teachers collect and use for books for classrooms.
3. Free Picks- spent on the spot.

Pamela would like to know how to spend rewards? Sometimes up to \$45. She would like teachers to give a wish list, give to fundraising or used for rewards for children or donate to charity.

## Canteen

No Report.

## Uniform Shop

In summary the shop is busy.

- Banking an issue as it is at 2 different banks. Karen stated Bendigo moving to Warriewood. Rachelle to look into banking situation.
- Ordered socks
- No winter uniform ordered as have enough in stock ( can get long sleeve shirts from another school)
- Promoting end of year sale such as swimming costumes
- Order forms sent out for winter uniforms
- Delivery 5-10 weeks and if you don't order over 50 \$25 cutting fee.
- Jenny D. Wanted track pants addressed as poor cut for girls. Other schools in the area Allambie, Killarney and Chatswood have plain coloured dance pant style.
- Karen F- would like to introduce new sport polo shirt (red and royal blue) Betina S. stated would need to go to a school community vote and be phased in over years.
- Shop would like to introduce blue knickers.

## Grounds (Michelle Swaveley)

BOSC is thinking of creating Eco garden. Yvonne B. said Year6 would like to create a native garden. Prefects are putting together a proposal for the same area

P&C sent thank you cards out to those who helped out on garden day.

Mowing: need to get quotes. Michelle is going to approach School parent. Yvonne B. stated difficult for Tom as he is only at the school 2 days per week.

Jenny D: Discussed that children are eating the flowers and this should not be encouraged.

Betina S.: asked if the children could be discouraged from entering the garden beds and people keep to the paths. Yvonne spent time and her own money fencing off areas to protect the plants. Karen F. thought the restrictions are unnecessary.

### **Fundraising (Sonia Powell)**

- Gelato Day- made \$900. Creating a how to guide.
- Chocolate Drive orders- not as successful as previous years. New supplier and a no return policy. 350 previously now 80 boxes.
- Entertainment Book: sample in the office. \$65 highly recommended.
- Kids 1<sup>st</sup> aid- Wed.6/5 and Sun 17/5. 1<sup>st</sup> Aid kits available. Response slow. Thank you to Sue Greig for printing forms. Putting notice in local kindergartens and hopefully in the Manly Daily.
- Finding it difficult as people are not printing attachments off the emailed newsletters.
- Raffle- Year2 has lots of prizes. Launch will be at Education day. Will be selling at local shops. Requesting help to sell tickets. Tickets will be sent home.
- Dinner Dance- Year 3 Miramare tentively booked for 22<sup>nd</sup> August \$100/head.
- Education Day- ? BBQ
- Story Book-Idea \$20per book. Artwork or a piece of writing.
- Fair- possible rides, jumble sale, stalls.

### **General Business**

- Bubble jets Printer available see Stacey.
- Rebel credit: remember to remind them and state your school. Sandra W. said this is an issue
- Karen F. asked about noticeboard. Newsletter for parents, jobs, careers, for sale to be displayed. IGA may be interested in sponsoring. Parents could share information. Need to get quotes on board. Jenny D. stated need to take it to school council and how do we monitor appropriateness of information.

**Meeting closed at 912pm.**

