

ANNANDALE NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Wednesday 6th May 2015 meeting 7:35pm - 9:00pm

- 1. Welcome:** We acknowledge the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation on whose country we are meeting today and their elders past and present.
- 2. Attendance:** Ruth Lyons, Wendy Routledge, Ian Cranwell, Annette Walker, Tracey Blow, Naomi Toy, Annabel McGilvray, Jacqui Owen, Julie Charlton, Kate Rutledge, Andrew Pattinson, Johanna Burnett, Kristen McKendry, Melissa Waller, Pen Bye, Alissa Cook, Jocelyn Prasad, Felicity Butler
- 3. Apologies:** Lou Dobbin and Julie Jorstad
- 4. Confirmation of previous minutes:**
April meeting: Moved: Naomi Toy, seconded: Pen Bye. Carried unanimously.
- 5. Business arising previous minutes:**

5.1 School weekend markets progress and timing: see Principals report

5.2 Selection panel course nominees and timing: The need for more volunteers was discussed as there is only currently three parents trained. There are two options for future training, either interested parents seek out current training days planned in Arncliffe or inform the Principal if you are interested and a local training day can be planned. It was suggested the P&C advertise the need for more volunteers in the next school newsletter and hopefully target Kindy parents as they will be invested in the school for many years.

5.3 Piano trolley/wheels: result of school investigations and preference: a final decision hasn't been made however, Annabel McGilvary advised wheels can be purchased from hardware stores and installed relatively easily. This will be coordinated by the the B&S committee and Ms Oxley.

5.4 Feedback on Solar panels: The Principal has volunteered ANPS to be included in future allocation of solar panels and the School awaits a decision in June/July.

6. Reports:

6.1 President: no report, but quote for new microphone will be passed onto A/Principal to advise cost.

6.2 Treasurer: see attached report

6.3 Principal: see attached report. Band and Strings camp planning and management was discussed. Some parents were concerned about what their children were being taught whilst a large number of students were absent. The A/Principal advised literacy and numeracy still took place and some form of music appreciation but parents felt a

more structured approach to learning was required, including more formal music appreciation options (for eg music Aviva/performance/general arts). Options for future camps were put forward as the distance of the venue is an issue for parents and the children are very tired following camp which affects learning upon returning to school. Suggestions include: making use of the school hall on the weekend for “day workshops” and a concert open to entire school on a Sunday night. Options need to be explored between the School and B&S committee for 2016.

7. Sub-committee reports:

7.1 Fundraising: Mother’s Day planning in progress, short on presents and P&C will purchase last minute gifts if required.

Disco: planning well under way. More volunteers required for stalls on the night, interested people should see Alissa Cook in the playground. It was decided to keep costs down this year both with ticket sales and food & entertainment on the night instead of a large fundraising push. Felicity will assist Alissa with kitchen co-ordination.

There has been confusion around who has been allocated to what with the annual list of basic fundraising initiatives. The correct list will be attached to each P&C newsletter.

Naomi Toy volunteered to be fundraising coordinator. The role is to coordinate the tasks for the year and not run each event. Thank you Naomi.

7.2 Band and strings committee: Music Matters attached as a detailed report

Camp feedback: 129 students attended over two days

Thank you to parents who assisted -in particular Louisa Dobbin, Annabel McGilvray, Victoria Walne, Sarah Taylor-Holmes and Jane Coles

Thank you Teachers who attended - Mr Collins, Mrs Oxley, Mr Babbage, Ms Greenstein

Only variation to budget is van hire to bring the music gear back.

7.3 Facilities/Grounds:

Motion on notice: That the P&C write to the DEC seeking repairs and maintenance of playground surfaces, including resurfacing of the infants playground and repair of the artificial grass area to Johnston Lane, which is deteriorating after recent rain. Moved: W. Routledge, seconded: I. Cranwell

Naomi Toy is the co-ordinator for Facilities/Grounds and has established a committee. Thank you to Julie Charlton and Jacqui Owen for joining the committee.

The group will liaise with the Brown family and the School to develop a memorial garden for Aidan Brown. The P&C agrees in principle to provide financial support to the project following planning and costs in the near future.

The group will also lead a working bee in the playground should the school feel there is a need. It was noted that rubbish spills out onto Johnston st at the northern end of the school where the gates are. It was suggested the schools handyman attach mesh or equivalent to the gates to prevent rubbish from spilling out onto the street. It was also noted that fences in the playground are falling down or broken and this too is being attended to by the school's handyman.

7.4 Grants: no committee chair

7.5 Supporting Quality Learning: Kate Rutlege volunteered to chair the committee and was elected unopposed. Thank you Kate.

8. New business:

P&C representatives on Placement Panel: Two school members currently sit on the panel and will remain for 2015: Pen Bye (in area) and Julie Charlton (out of area). The committee usually meets in August and then October once final numbers are known.

Wendy Routledge raised the issue of increased dwellings on Johnston st and the old Gosford Quarry site and has asked the A/Principal for an estimate of the number of dwellings in order to forecast possible student numbers in the coming years.

Melissa Waller asked if the full school assembly (FSA) has changed time, as recent assembly's have finished well before 3pm. The A/Principal advised no changes had been made apart from less performance's in recent times. The timing is still between 2-3pm and parents are welcome to attend.

Pen Bye advised a motion would be put forward at the June meeting for student welfare.

Annabel McGilvray queried why the Belle property sign was still in place and Wendy Routledge advised she would ask Belle to take it down.

9. Correspondence:

- Multiple fundraising brochures
- P&C Magazines

Next meeting: June 6th 730 pm

Principal's Report

Wednesday 6th May

Josh Collins



For the ordinary meeting of the Parents and Citizens Association, Annandale North Public School.

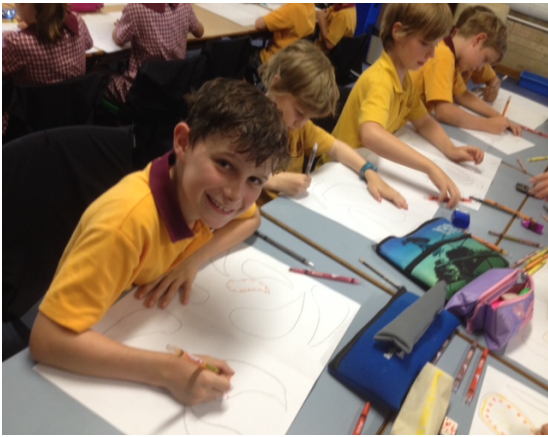
At a glance

- * Recent events.
- * Principal's position.
- * Uniform committee update.
- * School Plan update.
- * Farmer's market.
- * Band Camp.

Term 3 started with a sad tone as we said goodbye to Aidan Brown who passed away during the school holidays. The school held a memorial during week 1 to allow the community to be together during this difficult time.

Community support was immense during Aidan's battle, and we took the view that, with the Brown's agreement, a public memorial was fitting.

We finished the same week with a goodbye to Ms Bollard who takes up her new role at Wilkins. Staff at ANPS were very sad to see Ms Bollard go as she was held in high esteem. I wish her the very best in her new position.



Amendment: **Should a parent representative be required for a selection panel, the P and C will be asked to select a participant. Note that training is not a prerequisite for inclusion on the panel and that panel training will be provided to the selected individual if required.**



The decision to place myself as Acting Principal was a directive from Director Sylvia Corish who has assured me that a meeting with staff and the P&C executive will be arranged to communicate how a new Principal will be appointed. A decision is to come from our staffing service, and they have not yet provided us with the method in which the position will be filled. (See Amendment)

The Uniform committee is eagerly awaiting the proposed samples from Pickles to put before the community. Once the samples arrive we can undertake a public viewing and feedback process that will determine the future of the uniform at our school.

The School Plan, of which a summary has been posted on the school website, has been sent to Ms Corish for approval. Once we get past the draft process, the full plan will be uploaded to the school website. The 2014 Annual School Report has already been posted.

This year's band camp was even better than the previous year as we tweak the school run/ parent run dichotomy. Legal services have advised us how to structure the responsibilities of the event better, and improvements such as more playtime, quiet evening activities and increased parent support have made the event a roaring success. We have had some feedback through school channels about the distance to the performance on the final evening, and we look forward to working with the Band and Strings Program to look at other possibilities.

Finally, Michael Roche came to see me to update me about the proposed Farmers Market at the school on Sundays. He has provided me with the steps they are yet to undertake in getting approval for the project, and a possible timeline for those. If compliances are in order and impacts are addressed, the market is slated to begin in 2016.

Treasurers Report
(ANPS P&C Meeting, 6 May 2015)

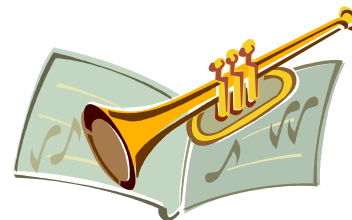
- Profit and Loss for the main P&C accounts for the month of April 2015:

	MTD	YTD
	Apr	Apr
	\$	\$
<i>Income</i>		
Commission	195.40	358.88
Bank Interest	41.31	342.21
Dad's BBQ		1,119.20
Easter	1,796.50	3,950.15
Fete	1,029.82	34,964.30
Christmas Trees		1,445.00
Fundraiser Stalls		1,739.85
P&C Memberships	4.00	81.00
Second hand uniform sales		919.05
Step Into Life		100.00
TOTAL INCOME	3,067.03	45,022.64
<i>Expenses</i>		
Easter Raffle	- 29.99	- 232.74
Fete Expenses	- 550.00	- 2,743.81
Gifts-Teachers	- 109.95	- 957.75
P&C Contribution to ANPS Wish List	- 25,678.50	- 55,678.50
P&C cupcake contribution to library		- 1,739.85
Aidan Brown Quest	- 265.00	- 1,265.00
Christmas Trees		- 1,800.00
Lucia		- 500.00
Year 6 Year Book		- 170.00
Thank you gifts		- 150.00
BBQs		- 1,777.29
Trestle Tables		- 179.95
Kindy welcome	- \$300	- 996.37
Other	-	- 45.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	-26,933.44	-68,236.26
Net Profit/(Loss)	- 23,866.41	- 23,213.62

- Ending bank balances at end of April 15 - \$55,533.97 for main P&C accounts (\$2,035 of unrepresented cheques) and \$23,924 for band account



Music Matters



The ANPS Music Program has a busy schedule of events this term – please place all relevant dates in your diary.

TERM 2 DATES FOR THE DIARY AND PERFORMANCES

Date	Ensemble(s)	Event
Monday's	FOIM Strings	Lunchtime rehearsals continue.
Sunday 3 May	Orchestra	Workshop at ANPS, 1pm-5pm, BYO afternoon tea .
Mon 4 – Tue 5 May	All Ensembles	Music Camp at The Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops. Meet in school hall at 7.20am. End of camp concert 5pm Tuesday. Parents to collect children after concert (approximately 6pm).
Thursday 7 May	Orchestra	Full School Assembly Performance.
Monday 1 June	Junior Band	Open Rehearsal. 7.30am student arrival, 8am open rehearsal.
Tuesday 2 June	Senior Band	Open Rehearsal. 7.30am student arrival, 8am open rehearsal.
Thursday 4 June	Junior Strings (Beginner Strings Invited)	Open Rehearsal. 7.30am student arrival, 8am open rehearsal. Beginner Strings are encouraged to attend.
Friday 5 June	Senior Strings	Open Rehearsal. 7.30am student arrival, 8am open rehearsal.
Thursday 11 June	Senior Strings	Full School Assembly Performance.
Week of 22 June	Junior/Senior Strings	Auditions for Junior Strings wishing to move to Senior Strings. Also Senior Strings second violins auditioning for first violin.
Thursday 25 June	FOIM Strings	Tickets go on sale for Opera House Concert on Thursday 6 August at 9am. These sell out fast so get in quick!
Thursday 25 June	FOIM Strings	9.15am-1pm Rehearsal at Croydon Public School. Parent volunteers needed to help car pool. Please contact Johanna at anpsmusic@live.com

ORCHESTRA WORKSHOP

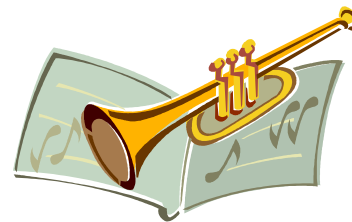
Orchestra members will break into their respective Senior Strings/Senior Band ensembles for camp. This workshop gives them an opportunity to work with instrumental tutors and conductors to prepare for the camp concert. **Please pack afternoon tea** and a drink for your child, as this will NOT be provided.

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4/26/2015



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MUSIC CAMP

Music Camp will be held on **Monday 4 May - Tuesday 5 May** at The Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops.

Details as follows

- Please drop students at the school hall promptly at 7.20am. It would be appreciated if you could say good-bye at this time so we can get away as soon as possible.
- Parents are responsible for collecting children at the end of camp (approximately 6pm) and we invite you to attend the final concert at 5pm.
- We have a dozen students needing a ride home after camp (there wasn't enough interest to hire a coach). **Could I please ask parents to help transport these students back to ANPS after camp? Please contact Johanna via anpsmusic@live.com with the number of seats you have available and I will put you in touch with the parents of students needing a ride.** Thank you in advance!
- **Urgent:** parent needed to ride bus down to The Tops on Monday. We can arrange for a car to bring you back to Annandale departing Stanwell Tops at either 3pm or 9pm. Contact Johanna ASAP at anpsmusic@live.com
- Please don't send students to camp if they are sick.
- **All camp payments need to be received by Wednesday 29 April at the very latest.**

Account details as follows:

Account Name: ANPS P&C Band Account

Bank: Commonwealth Bank

BSB: 062102

AccountNumber: 10122386

Please ensure to include your child's name in the transfer details.

- All medication to be supplied with dosage forms and action plans in a clear plastic bag. Please give to a member of the teaching staff on registration.
- If you need a music T shirt, please see below for collection times.
- Thank you to all who have volunteered to help at camp. Johanna will be in touch with a roster during the week.
- And finally, a huge thank you to the four ANPS teachers who have volunteered to come to camp: Ms Oxley, Mr Collins, Mr Babbage and Ms Greenstein.

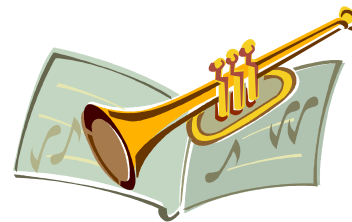
What to bring

Students will need to pack a small overnight bag that includes: a change of clothes for Day 2, ANPS Music T-shirt, **music stand labeled clearly with your name**, instrument, all music/books, spare oil/reeds/music accessories, a sleeping bag, sheet and pillow case, pajamas, a towel, toothbrush, toothpaste and any other toiletries needed, a hat, sunscreen and a refillable water bottle. Children must wear enclosed shoes at all times.

A reminder that **mobile phones, electronic devices and other expensive items are NOT to be brought**



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on this excursion. Students may bring a camera, however, it remains the responsibility of the child.

MUSIC T SHIRTS

Students needing a music T shirt (for camp concert) can buy them in the hall at 7.30am on Thursday, 30 April or at camp registration on Monday 4 May at 7.20am. Music T Shirts are \$15. Music Bags are also available for \$20.

MUSIC FEES

2015 Annual Music Fees will be invoiced this term.

FOIM

A parent is needed to help coordinate the car pool to and from Croydon Public School on 25 June. If you can help, please contact anpsmusic@live.com

Monday lunchtime rehearsal will continue this term. Students are encouraged to listen to the recordings provided by Rachel as the music needs to be memorized.

OPEN REHEARSALS (Beginner Strings invited)

Parents and siblings are invited to come and watch open rehearsals the week on June 1. We would like to encourage members from **Beginner Strings** to come and watch the Junior Strings Rehearsal on Thursday 4 June. 7.30am student arrival, 8am open rehearsal.

STATE MUSIC CAMP

Applications for State Music Camp close Friday 1 May. Applications can be found here: <https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/music/music-camp-student-applications>

NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

We are looking for volunteers to join the Music Committee. We are lucky to have such a fantastic music program at our school, but it will only continue if we have the support of our parent volunteers.

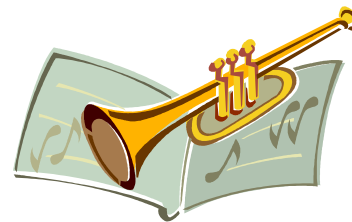
If you have questions, would like to join the committee or think you can help, please let us know via email on anpsmusic@live.com

LOOKING AHEAD:

Date	Ensemble(s)	Event
Week of 31 August	All Ensembles	Music Soiree's – held at Village Church
Sunday 22 November	All Ensembles	Music Workshop. Full Day workshop 9am-4pm
Friday 4 December	All Ensembles	Music Night
Monday 14 March- Tuesday 15 March 2016	All Ensembles	Music Camp, The Tops, Stanwell Tops



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DISTRIBUTION LISTS

Communications about Band & String Program activities is generally sent via email. If your details have changed please let us know at anpsmusic@live.com so we can stay in touch.

Thanks, and we look forward to another great term of music at ANPS.

Sophie, Rachel and the Band & Strings Program Committee