

ANNANDALE NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

Minutes

Wednesday 2nd September 2015 meeting 7:30pm - 9:25pm

Welcome: We acknowledge the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation who are the traditional custodians of the land on which we stand. We pay our respect to the elders past and present.

1. Attendance:

- 1.1. P&C members: Sarah Taylor-Holmes, Ali Donaldson, Naomi Toy, Julie Charlton, Mel Waller, Kate Rutledge, Ruth Lyons, Ian Cranwell, Annette Walker, Tracey Blow,
- 1.2. Non members, Hayley Russell, Josh Collins (ex-officio - A/Principal)
- 1.3. **Apologies:**
P&C members, Pen Bye, Wendy Routledge, Annabel McGilvray, Alissa Cook

2. Confirmation of previous minutes:

- 2.1. August meeting: Moved Ruth Lyons, seconded Ali Donaldson, carried unopposed

3. Business arising from previous minutes:

nil

4. Reports:

- 4.1. **President:** no report
- 4.2. **Treasurer:** see attached report
- 4.3. **Principal:** see attached report and additional discussion on whooping cough outbreak. Sarah Taylor-Holmes would like more communication to parent body on keeping their children at home if they display signs of whooping cough and suggests a bag drop with information from NSW Health on managing the highly contagious illness. A doctor's clearance is required before children can return to school and parents can consider a booster for older children whose immunization status may have dropped over the years.

Sarah also thanked the school and Ms Ramrahka for allowing the junior strings group to use the library each Thursday for rehearsals and the many parents who have helped during the morning sessions.

5. Sub-committee reports:

5.1 Fundraising: see attached report and in addition there was discussion on the perceived lack of enthusiasm from parents to co-ordinate fundraising activities. General discussion on increasing membership and possibly reducing the amount it costs to join but Kate Rutledge highlighted it's more important to have a larger group of volunteers for events instead of lowering the cost to join. By lowering the cost it devalues the work undertaken by the school community and more emphasis should be placed on the "fun" aspect of fundraising which is for the children and ultimately helps the school. It was suggested the P&C include information on what the P&C does for the school in information packs for new parents and that Executive members should continue to encourage participation at school information nights and the Kindy welcome.

Resolved: That the P&C spend an amount not exceeding \$400 purchasing outdoor banners advertising the Christmas Tree sale. Moved: Naomi Toy, Seconded: Tracey Blow, carried unopposed

Resolved: That the P&C purchase a total of 70 Christmas trees (35 pre-sold) to be sold to raise funds for the school. Moved Naomi Toy, seconded Ruth Lyons, carried unopposed

Resolved: That the P&C spend up to \$200 on wrapping paper and/or gifts to "top up" the number of gifts, if required, at the Father's Day stall. Moved Naomi Toy, seconded Ruth Lyons, carried unopposed.

Thank you to Justin Chambers for running another successful Dad's BBQ.

5.2 Band and Strings: no report due to Soiree week

5.3 Facilities/Grounds: covered in Principal's report but main point discussed was the possible removal of a large gum tree situated in the middle of the infants play area leading to Piper St. The A/Principal will seek community support and Council approval before removing the tree. Ian Cranwell advised Council approval may not be required following a similar situation when the hall was built and large trees had to be removed. Ian will provide Josh with relevant communique on previous discussions to avoid any holdup seeking Council approval. A two staged approach is required to manage soft fall upgrades if new playground equipment is purchased.

5.4 Grants: There is a Grant writing workshop at Bankstown Senior College 16th October from 1000 (see attached flyer for more information).

5.5 Supporting Quality Learning: no report

6. New business:

- 6.1. **Resolved:** That the first paragraph of rule 18 of the P&C be amended by substituting \$200 for \$500, that is, to read: *Any motion to expend Association monies over an amount of **\$500** must be placed on notice for the meeting at which it is to be considered.* Moved: Naomi Toy Routledge, seconded: Ali Donaldson
- 6.2. **Motion on Notice for AGM:** That the annual subscription for the P&C be set at 5 cents with a view to encouraging membership.
- 6.3. Development application for 32 dwellings at 252 Johnston St, Sister Dorothea. The President will resurrect previous submissions on opposing the redevelopment of the site and forward to Council. Concerned parents are also encouraged to write to Council opposing the development.
- 6.4. Leaking roof in heritage building: **covered in Principal's report**
- 6.5. Ian Cranwell wrote to the Federation seeking a rule change which allows committees that require a Treasurer have access to the main P&C accounts to facilitate more timely finance management for the Treasurer of the said committee.
- 6.6. Update on solar panels: The tender is going out in September and more information will be provided at the October meeting.

7. Correspondence:

- Forum invite to Bankstown Senior College for Grant writing education
- Many fundraising brochures
- Communique from Connect4Care for the P&C to join the program for free. Program allows families to share childcare costs and establish a shared child minding service but the invitation was not supported at this time.

Next meeting: Oct 7th 7:30pm

Treasurers Report
(ANPS P&C Meeting, 2 September 2015)

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

		MTD	YTD
		Aug	Aug
		\$	\$
<i>Income</i>			
Commission			561.67
Bank Interest		41.31	508.14
Dad's BBQ		1,450.05	4,371.90
Disco			6,680.20
Easter			3,950.15
Fete			34,964.30
Christmas Trees			1,445.00
Fundraiser Stalls		1,039.55	4,542.92
Mothers Day			2,002.63
P&C Memberships			81.00
Second hand uniform sales		193.00	1,349.05
Step Into Life			100.00
TOTAL INCOME		2,723.91	60,559.96
<i>Expenses</i>			
ANPS Band Contribution/Grant			-
Dad's BBQ	-	377.18	- 1,168.74
Disco Expenses			- 3,688.05
Easter Raffle			- 232.74
Fete Expenses			- 2,743.81
Gifts-Teachers			- 957.75
Insurance-Public Liability			- 805.00
P&C Contribution to ANPS Wish List	-	15,174.96	- 78,353.46
P&C cupcake contribution to library	-	1,039.55	- 4,500.52
Aidan Brown Quest			- 1,584.00
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			- 996.37
Other	-	220.00	- 1,265.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		-16,811.69	-100,872.68
Net Profit/(Loss)		- 14,087.78	- 40,312.72

- Ending bank balances at end of August 15 - \$37,732.11 for main P&C accounts (\$1,377 of unpresented cheques) and \$24,615 for band account
- The following commitments agreed earlier in the year have not yet been paid and therefore need to be deducted from the above ending bank balances to get the true available funds:
 - Band support of \$5,900 (to be called upon when required)
 - Expenditure on Christmas trees for Christmas tree fundraiser (costs will be fully covered by fundraising)

Principal's Report

Wednesday 2nd
September

Josh Collins

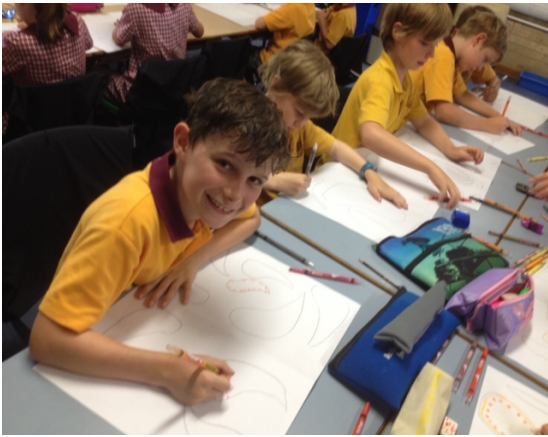


For the ordinary meeting of the
Parents and Citizens
Association, Annandale North
Public School.

At a glance

- * Performance progress
- * Lego robotics progress
- * Leak update
- * Whooping cough
- * Tree removal

Storm damage, buckled playgrounds and disease overshadow what should be an excited build up to our performances in two weeks. While teachers are certainly feeling the pressure and some weariness normally associated with the latter part of the year, they are rehearsing with vigour. Tickets are going out the door at a leisurely pace, with only one sold out show at this stage. The split performances have clearly reduced the squash in terms of audience numbers, and was designed to keep it a lower key affair than in previous years.



The Lego purchased by the P and C has arrived and we are looking at trialling it in a small group format next term. The reason being so that teachers are confident about how it all works, and to determine the best use of the resource in terms of age group, classroom management and ability.

A meeting between Assets management, Spotless contractors took place today in the roof space above Mr Maurice's room. It is very difficult to find the source of the leak when everything is dry, but some tracking was found down an internal wall pointing to a flashing problem directly above it. Conjecture at best, so the next time it rains is the time to reinspect. The two possible repair scenarios are to either come up the outside and re flash where necessary, or build an internal roof under the existing that has its own drainage system. One is considerably more expensive than the other.

Whooping Cough remains a persistent problem at school. Despite numerous requests to keep sick children at home, they are being sent back to us having 'seen the doctor' only to find out later they are positive. Teachers are under instruction to send any sick child to the office if they think its warranted. They have been doing this and we are sending many home each day. The hygiene message, the cough into the elbow message, and a little shrewed isolation are all we are left with at this point. I have been updating the NSW Health infectious disease coordinator with every confirmed case, who assures me we are doing the right thing as a school.



Let's talk about trees. There is an enormous gum in the middle of the path leading down to Piper St. It is buckling the paving and uplifting the soft fall. I propose we remove it, subject to council approval and wish to end this report to begin this discussion.

Fundraising report for September 2015 meeting.

Christmas Trees:

35 trees pre-sold. There are plans to do another push in October/November. Banners advertising the Christmas Tree will be made to put up outside the school in late November/early December. In total 70 trees will be ordered, leaving another 35 to be sold in the lead-up to delivery day on December 5 and on the day.

Cupcakes:

Year 6 running next stall.

Father's Day stall:

There is the usual stress about there being enough gifts to go around but organisers confident it will be ok on the day. However, just in case last minute purchases need to be made, the fundraising committee will move a motion authorising no more than \$200 be spent on gifts and wrapping to make up any shortfall.

Major Fundraiser for 2016.

As there will be a Federal election and a local council election next year, the fundraising committee suggests putting any major fundraising efforts into those events and not pursue running another large event such as a movie night or trivia night unless someone steps forward to run one. It would be helpful to find a fete co-ordinator now so that donations and sponsorship can be secured early.

Thanks to Justin Chambers for running another Dads BBQ. A date is yet to be fixed for the 4th term BBQ.

Event Calendar 2016:

Following agreement at the August meeting to stick to the same basic calendar of events, dates will be fixed with the school as soon as possible.