DATE: 9Th February 2016

LOCATION: Robertson Public School Library

PRESENT: Susan Matthews (SM), Michelle Oehm (MO), Renee Moore (RM),

Natasha Blenkinsopp (NB), Jo Souter (JS), Michelle Oswald (MO), Allison Sommers (AS), Cathy Roodenrys (CR), Dianne Williams (DW), Melissa Beville (MB), Kathryn Murray (KM), Jodi Hidasi (JH), Mary

Creagan (MC), Amber Haworth (AH), Kathleen Betts (KB)

APOLOGIES: Karen Guymer (KG)

DISTRIBUTION: Above listed people, P&C financial members and Robertson School

Administration

The meeting opened at 6.45pm.

Minutes of 24/11/15 Meeting

Motion: Minutes of 24/11/15 be accepted.

Moved: MO 2nd MO

Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

New reversible Hat (meeting held 20/10/15) - Yes it does have a place to write children's

name.

Correspondence In:

1. P & C Federation Email regarding 2016 Federation election.

Correspondence Out:

Nil

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Treasurers Report:

Melissa Beville presented treasurers report – see attachment...

Motion: Treasurers Report be accepted.

Moved: KM 2nd MC

Uniform Report:

Allison Sommers.presented a verbal report.

Allison noted that there will be no need to increase uniform prices in 2016 at this stage as all suppliers prices have remained the same.

Motion: Uniform Report be accepted.

Moved MO 2nd NB

Music Report:

Jodi presented a verbal report

- Not many children are hiring instruments at the present time
- The cost of most lessons has increased to \$18 per lesson.
- Jodi/Sue to check that the music lesson hand book states lessons are from \$15 a lesson.

Motion: Music Report be accepted.

Moved RM 2nd MO

Canteen & Fundraising Report:

Michelle Oehm presented a verbal report.

- Will look at dates for hot dog day in term one
- Start preparing for Easter raffle
- Do stock take of mother's day stall items

Motion: Canteen & Fundraising Report be accepted. Moved MO 2nd MB

Principals Report:

Susan Matthews tabled her report. See Attachment.

Motion: Principals Report be accepted.

Moved JS 2nd MO

General Business

- Cash box will now be used for all P&C Monies, keys will be held by MB, JH, AS & MO.
- Discussed that we need to update the tarps we are using for the children to sit on under the gazebos, decided that 3 new tarps 4m x 6m be purchased. NB to investigate this.
- P & C Support to the school in 2016
 - Opera House recorder Group
 - Bus travel for Swimming Scheme
 - Interrelate
 - Bus travel to Recording studio
 - FRRR \$500 contribution.

Meeting Closed at 8.10pm

Next meeting to be held AGM 1st March 2016 commencing at 6.30pm in the School Library.

Principal's Report 9th February, 2016 **Enrolment Numbers**

We have commenced the year on 157 students. This is 4 students short of the requirements to retain a 7th class. All classes have settled well and new Kindergarten students are settling in well as they enter their second week.

Child Protection training for volunteers is being conducted this week. We have quite a number of parents and community members keen to volunteer their time this year and we welcome this wonderful community support.

Sport

A successful swimming carnival was held on 8th February and we were very pleased with the level of participation from our students and for the wonderful support given by many parents to ensure a very smooth running and enjoyable day.

In2Cricket starts on 19th February and will run for 4 weeks. Also this term we have a Soccer Gala day on 18th March and the Cross Country carnival on 1st April.

Extracurricular Activities

Knitting and Gardening have commenced for 2016 with the help of Judy and John Johnston.

Year 6 will attend a Rotary Science day on 7th March.

Year 5/6 will be attending Broken Bay camp on 4-6th April this term.

Mrs Williams is attending Peer Support training on 8th March and shortly afterwards Year 6 will attend leadership training. The focus for peer support this year is anti-bullying.

School Photos

These will be held on 9th March.

Scripture and Ethics

These classes commence in Week 4. Added to our program will be Ethics for Stage 1 which will commence mid-March after the trainer has completed all requirements. This successfully reduces quite considerably the students in the non-scripture group.

Combination Soccer/Rugby posts

I would like to purchase these for the back playground and ask that the P&C consider funding these. Catalogue supplied. This would allow us to alternate Stage 2 and Stage 3 up on the back playground. There is never enough space in our current playground for all 3 stages to play soccer and this would be a great way to give all students a space for their games.

NOTE: 'AS' noted that the year 6 class of 2014 had fundraised with a cook book and raised a sum of around \$2000 to be used for this purpose, this money had been banked through the school, 'SM' said she would follow this up with office staff.

Working Bee

It is proposed by Brian (GA) that we hold a Working Bee this term to mulch the front gardens to keep the weeds at bay. Dates to be discussed if the P&C support this.

Habitat For Wildlife

This program is about making gardens more wildlife friendly. It is proposed the gardening club might pant purchased plants, with guidance on planting locations from Karen Guymer.



FRRR Program Funding

Unfortunately we were unsuccessful in this application. A partnered Program in Literacy and Numeracy will be implemented this year but we will need to rely heavily of volunteers for successful implementation. Students in Yrs 3-5 are currently being assessed to identify who to target for support. After this, a program will be devised, then volunteers trained, and then a timetable of support will be put in place.

Work For The Dole

Due to the low number of job seekers in the area, this is unable to be provided to us at this stage. I will keep in touch regularly with Gary Hanes, WFD coordinator, to try to get this "off the ground."

Robertson and District Swimming Pool

It has been brought to my attention that the site for this pool may be still under discussion. I am proposing that a member of the P&C and I meet with the President, Don Ferguson, or alternatively attend a RADSPA meeting to have a voice in this decision making. Meetings are every second Wednesday with the next available meeting that I can attend being 2nd March.

BASC

John Johnston and I met with a solicitor in January. The solicitor is drawing up a licencing agreement between the School of Arts Committee and PEAK Learning and Sport. From here the DEC will put together a licencing agreement for use of school playing fields, canteen and toilets. After this, PEAK do all that is required to meet the requirements with the agreement and then seek approval to operate. We are making small steps.

Veolia Mulwaree Grant Application

The School of Arts committee and I are applying for this grant so we can fund a toilet upgrade at the hall. Letters of Support are required from all hall users to enhance the application. I ask that the P&C provide a letter of support for this application. This would be required by 26th February. The application is due for submission on 1st March.

NOTE: Natasha & Kathryn will draft a letter on behalf of the P&C in support of this grant.

Robertson Public School P&C Association Monthly Financial Report Report for November 2015 Meeting 21/11/2015-31/12/2015

General Account

Income	Expenditure	Available Funds	Comments
			Expenditure
\$4140.12	\$2148.11	\$6050.25	\$900 – Toward Stage one penny whistle lessons
			\$100 – Taits voucher for the Scottish Arms
			Income
			\$1557 Canteen takings
			\$1365 Gingerbread Houses
			\$412 Christmas Raffle takings
			\$223.30 EOY Hotdog day takings

Breakfast Club Account

Income	Expenditure	Available Funds	Comments
\$305.01	\$594.22	\$1771.09	 Paid \$578.22 to General account to reimburse for initial set- up of B/Club acc

Instrument Account

Income	Expenditure	Available Funds	Comments
\$	\$	\$4511.74	 Jodi Hidasi will present an updated verbal instrument account report. Available funds noted here are representative of the CBA Netbank Instrument Account as of 31/12/2015.

Uniform Account

Income	Expenditure	Available Funds	Comments
\$	\$	\$5558.06	 Alison Sommers will present an updated verbal uniform account report. Available funds noted here are representative of the CBA Netbank Uniform account as of 31/12/2015.