

**DATE:** 15th May 2018  
**LOCATION:** Robertson Public School Library  
**PRESENT:** Susan Mathews (SM), Kim Haylen (KH), Alice Richards (AR), Natasha Blenkinsopp (NB), Kathleen Betts(KB), Renee Moore (RM), Jo Souter (JS),  
**APOLOGIES:** Cathy Roodenrys (CR), Jodi Hidas (JH), Kellyanne Hinchcliffe (KAH), Michelle Oswald (MO), Lindsey Coffee (LC), Lee-Anne Daxner (LD)  
**DISTRIBUTION:** Above listed people, P&C financial members and Robertson School Administration

The meeting opened at 6.33pm

**Minutes of 20/05/2018 Meeting**

Motion: Minutes of 20/05/2018 be accepted.

Moved:KH 2<sup>nd</sup> NB

**Correspondence In:**

- None

**Correspondence Out:**

- Kathleen (KB) ACNC financial statement
- Kym (KH) P&C Federation voting information

**Treasurers Report:** Kathleen presented a report. See Attachment.

**Uniform Report:** Kym Haylen (KH) presented a verbal report.

- Price reduction on sports shirts will continue
- Current sale on long sleeve polo shirts due to stock levels
- Kym (KH) will look into new supplier options for long sleeve girls lemon blouses
- Overdue parent accounts are being chased
- Kym is very grateful for Michelle's (MO) help with the financial side of things

**Music Report:**

- No music report this meeting

**Fundraising Report:** Kym (KH) and Natasha (NB) presented a verbal report.

- Canteen is going really well. Kellyanne is doing a brilliant job as manager and there are lots of new volunteers.
- We are looking to arrange some fundraising food days such as spaghetti Bolognese day and a hot dog day at grandparents day
- Plans are underway for an upcoming Trivia Night on 23rd June
- Plans for a cake stall at the Robertson Markets

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- Colour explosion has been booked. In the end we went with the cheaper package due to a higher percentage of profits. Event is booked for Friday the 30th November. They suggest we start advertising to parents three and a half weeks prior to the event.
- Suggestion to consider a 2019 ball or evening event

**Principals Report:**Susan Matthews presented a report. See Attachment.

### **General Business**

- BYOD update. Susan (SM) has discussed concerns about ipads being left in school bags with staff and has consulted other schools doing BYOD. General consensus is that other schools have a policy that ipads are stored in school bags before school begins and that this hasn't resulted in any theft or damage so far. Given this, Robertson will continue to advise children to store devices in their school bags outside classrooms.
- A representative from Life Skills will be at the next P&C meeting to discuss student courses they offer that the P&C could consider funding.
- A need for a paid school band/music coordinator has arisen and will be discussed at the next meeting.
- A giant Jenga set has kindly been donated to the school by David Ricketts. Susan (SM) will arrange for it to be stored and made available to students on special occasions. We are very grateful to Mr Ricketts for this lovely gift.
- KKKK charity update. Kym (KH) and Jodi (JH) are looking into making an online application for the sensory playground. Natasha (NB) has a contact with tradespeople who might be able to assist.
- Veolia Mulwaree Trust Update - Kym (KH) has submitted the grant application and should hear from them by the end of June. Some suggestions were made such as splitting up the project or considering non department tradespeople should we not be successful.
- Firewood update - Susan (SM) will follow up with tradesmen
- Chess set update - we are hopeful to be in a position to purchase the chess set in term 3. A community volunteer has kindly offered to concrete the area for the board. Kym (KH) to follow up.

Time constraints meant that the following agenda items will be carried over the the next meeting

- David Ricketts donation
- Major fundraising idea
- P&C funding for music coordinator
- Ethics volunteers
- Travel mug update
- School Playground chess set update

**Meeting Closed at 8.20pm**

**Next meeting to be held Week 8 term 2 Tuesday 19th June 2018 commencing at 6.30pm in the School Library**

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## **Principals Report May 2018**

### **NAPLAN**

Years 3 and 5 are sitting the NAPLAN testing this week. Our school has been using paper based testing procedures. It is possible students will be completing the NAPLAN online next year. There will be a catch up ay for any students absent on test days.

### **Ethics**

We are really pleased to have two new Ethics teachers starting with us this term. This is due to the efforts of Dr Ellis who is the Ethics coordinator.

Early Stage 1 will have a teacher commencing 12<sup>th</sup> June. This is Louise Stewart.

Stage 2 will start on the 12<sup>th</sup> June with Therese Moran

### **Connecting Country Schools**

#### **What is included in the CCS Project**

This includes:

- Installation of Wireless Access Points (WAPs) in every learning space
- Replacement of existing Aruba WAPs with Aruba 300 series models
- Installation of supplementary WAPs to maximise Wi-Fi performance and coverage. Our school has been allocated 3 supplementary WAPs for installation in other areas where coverage is required.
- Supply and installation of network switches where required.

This will dramatically improve wifi access throughout the school enabling all learning spaces to use technology in an optimum way. The cutover will be occurring next week from 21<sup>st</sup> May to 24<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Peer Support**

#### **Living Positively**

This module supports students to develop the skills, knowledge and attitudes necessary to identify their individual strengths and maintain a positive outlook on life. It is based on the belief that students can become more optimistic by monitoring their internal messages and living in harmony with their particular strengths. It helps students identify their strengths and take advantage of these.

Our Year 6 leaders are doing a great job in delivering the lessons and taking on their responsibilities in being prepared and ready for each lesson.

### **Science Excursions**

Our K-2 students are visiting the Science centre in Wollongong on 24<sup>th</sup> May and 32 Year 6 students also have the opportunity to attend the Rotary Science Discovery day on 29<sup>th</sup> May.

## **Multicultural Public Speaking**

Notes have gone home for each stage. The public speaking assessment assists teachers to report on Speaking and Listening within English. Students in years 3-6 also have the opportunity to compete in the Multicultural Public Speaking competition. Our school final will be held on 13<sup>th</sup> June with our finalists attending the local final at Bowral Public School on 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

## **Staff Professional Learning**

This week the staff are involved in three hours of professional learning on Wednesday afternoon. We are unpacking the Literacy and Numeracy learning progressions. These progressions assist teachers to develop fine-grain understanding of student literacy and numeracy development. It helps teachers to identify student entry points and target teaching to ensure every student is progressing. At Robertson PS we have started to report to parents about progress ( report insert for Semester Two reports in 2017). Recommendations from the Review to Achieve Educational Excellence in Australian Schools led by David Gonski is recommending that all schools introduce new reporting arrangements with a focus on both learning attainment and learning gain, to provide meaningful information to students and their parents and carers about individual achievement and learning growth. WE are very pleased to be paving the way with this thinking and I have had a number of school principals contact me for information on how we reported in this way last year.

## **INSPIRE**

Moss Vale High School will again be delivering the INSPIRE program for our students in years 3-6 on 8<sup>th</sup> June. Band students must do band. Choir students ( not in band) are asked to do choir. Other activities include Dance and Drama.

## **Library**

Mrs Newey is on leave from 17<sup>th</sup> May to the 8<sup>th</sup> June. Mrs Thomas will be relieving in the Library during this time.

## **Science**

Mrs Armstrong is on leave from 1<sup>st</sup> May to 18<sup>th</sup> May. Mrs Hansen has been relieving in this position.

## **Educational Environmental Gardening Project**

Caron Taylor approached me regarding the possibility of working with the school to design a garden space at or around the school to assist with her Postgraduate Certificate in Garden Design. Caron is keen to get the staff and students involved. Miss Porter-Shaw, Mrs Noble and I met with Caron today to discuss possibilities with the vegetable garden being the focus area. Caron is going to take some measurements and come back to us with a design idea which we will then invite students and staff to have input in. The vision is to have a learning space and meeting space so students can be educated and involved in sustainable living.

**Robertson Public School P&C Association Monthly Financial Report  
Meeting 15/5/18 for period 20/3/18 to 14/5/18**

**General Account**

Income	Expenditure	Available Funds	Comments
			<b>Income</b>
\$5,381.40	\$3,261.00	Bank Statement	\$2,088 Canteen takings
		\$15,290.90	\$447 Easter Raffle
		General Ledger	\$354 Canteen School Cross Country
		\$13,707.94	\$1,373 Canteen District Cross Country
			\$137 Wishing Well/ Donations
		3 x O/S cheques	\$981 Mothers Day Stall
		\$1,582.96	<b>Expenditure</b>
			\$2,263 Canteen Supplies \$360 Recorder tuition
			\$638 Mothers Day Stall gifts

**Breakfast Club Account**

Income	Expenditure	Available Funds	Comments
			<b>Income</b>
\$274.30	Nil	\$1,243.00	Cash deposits
			<b>Expenditure</b>
			Breakfast Club supplies

**Instrument Account**

Income	Expenditure	Available Funds	Comments
			Jodi Hidasi will present an updated verbal Instrument report. Available funds
\$	\$	\$4,108.35	reported here are representative of CBA Netbank Account as of 14/05/2018

**Uniform Account**

Income	Expenditure	Available Funds	Comments
			Kym Haylen will present an updated verbal Uniform Account report. Available funds
\$	\$	\$4,747.35	reported here, are representative of CBA Netbank Account as of 14/5/18