

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

### **Meeting Minutes**

*1<sup>st</sup> December 2020*

**Attendees:** Jo S, Heather N, Peter D, Zoe H, Elise C, Rebecca K, Jeanette B, Belinda Z, Alison T, Emma B, Lisa W, Belinda H, Tanya S, Louise W

**Apologies:** Amy B

**Location:** School Staffroom

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### **Meeting Opened: 7.30 pm**

- 1. Welcome** - Jo S
  
- 2. Minutes** - Last meeting minutes approved – Elise and Jeanette
  
- 3. Correspondence** - Grant notification - \$26K NSW Govt grant for new playground – more discussion later

#### **4. Treasurer – Peter D**

Profit and Loss and final report on file

\$2500 in overdue band fees – hoping to recoup some when Lisa sends reminders

P&C levies well paid despite COVID

\$20K government cash stimulus and Lee on Jobkeeper helped

No real fundraising opportunities this year – Colour Run saved us with \$11K profit

– big thanks to Jo and the teachers who ran it without parent assistance.

\$6K deposit for Ball is non refundable (date transferrable) but will look great in

next year's figures when we won't have to pay the deposit

Canteen takings (\$5K profit) almost same as last year despite COVID lockdown

Uniform shop also showing a profit after last years restock

Some of our building fund has finally been able to be used on the beautiful murals (painting)

\$155K total funds with \$107K available

Next years big spend will be the playground

## **5. Canteen – Jeanette B**

With Flexischools making things so much easier, Lee is happy to do Mon/Weds on her own but more volunteers needed for Fridays

Thanks to Peter for organizing Jobkeeper for Lee

Mrs Jones asking for more positive environmental changes – looking at all options

So far we have stopped giving soy in the non recyclable fish containers, Lee

distributes the soy sauce which makes the queues long ?other options

Looking at replacing slushie straws – ?options – jumbo paper straw. We have lots of plastic straws at the moment ?what to do with them

Also looking at children bringing own utensils as a possibility

New freezer has been installed and old one removed – thanks to Jeanette.

## **6. Band - Lisa W**

June invoices – 13 outstanding

Term 3/4 invoices – 75% paid

Instrument repairs finally invoiced at \$3K

Emphasis on needing to communicate with Janella and Katie the importance of liaising with the P&C before discussing things with parents as we are their employers.

Need to look at informing the parents about the need to volunteer and have fundraising to cover the band costs or the potential levy if that doesn't happen

## **7. Vege Garden – Emma B**

Deliveries are on site now and the excavation is being done

Garden beds to be done soon

Thinking of Native Bee Hive – opportunity to learn. Belinda needs to investigate further

Bush Tucker – thinking of signs with QR codes to learn from

\$300 from IGA for veges to plant

## **8. Fundraising and Activities**

**Colour Run** – amazing. Teachers really enjoyed helping out and thanks to them for doing so \$19K total raised with \$12K in profits. Prizes have arrived and Jo will sort  
It was a great event in an otherwise terrible year

**Mural** – completed – looks amazing

**Toilet Doors**

**Loose parts play**

**Vege Garden** – helped by grant

Thanks to the caring and passionate parents we have in the school for ensuring so many of these went ahead

## **9. President's Report – Jo S**

After 15 years and 4 children her time at BPS has come to an end

In the years in P&C Jo has been part of

- AC in classrooms
- Whiteboards/Smartboards and Commboxes
- MPC behind the canteen
- Numerous Balls and Parent's nights
- Bush Dance Family Night
- 60<sup>Th</sup> anniversary Celebrations
- Carols nights
- Gingerbread Nights
- Discos
- Seen 4 principals
- Cleaned out the secret costume cupboard
- Said goodbye to demountable classrooms
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- Survived 2 Fairs which were both amazing and exhausting and the baby of Leissa D

Special thanks go to Lisa W for doing the band when she didn't have to

Peter for his first roll as treasurer then stepping back in when we were desperate

Thanks also to Elise who is also farewelling the executive, the other members of the

Exec – Jeanette and Heather, Miriam, Louise W, Rebecca K, Belinda H and finally

Mrs

Zorian for everything.

Jo was instrumental in the 'Girls Night In' that started in 2010 – school mum Lynda Farquar lost her battle with breast cancer and a charity night started in her honour. Half the proceeds go to a Breast cancer charity and half goes to the school

The school, the children, the parents and the P&C cannot thank Jo enough for all that she has done – she will be missed

## **10. General Business**

Toilet Doors 3-6 look amazing , K-2 – need a different approach with a vinyl wrap – Andrew F has offered to adhere them

Mural – Rebecca interested in doing another wall at a discounted rate – approved

Rebecca suggested a beautification day scheduled during holidays

Emma B – husband keen to mow while Michael away for 3 weeks

Potential working Bee in late Jan before children return

Bindi spray needed next year ?Sept – requires professional

Playground – received a \$26K Grant from the NSW govt – the largest given in this area but it needs another \$60K from the P&C – voted and approved

New School Facebook Page – Mrs Green and Katrina are the admin but they are looking for a parent with expertise in this area to help

BPS Parents Facebook page will need more admins with ½ the current admins leaving the school

## **11. Farewells**

Elise C – been in the P&C for 9 years. Instrumental in so many fundraising events and activities. Huge thanks for her contribution

Peter D – stepping down (again!) but this time there is no return – massive thanks for all that he has done

Jo S – she has gone above and beyond for our school community and there are not enough thanks we can give, She has done whatever it takes to make the school a better place

Gifts were presented and the meeting closed at 9.10pm