

General Meeting Minutes

Of the General Meeting of Windaroo State School P&C Association

Date: 8 February 2017

Venue: Lone Pine Hall, Windaroo State School

Chair: Michelle Harrison,

Meeting opened at: 9:16

Attendance: Monica Goethals, Sharyn-Lee Morris, Robyn Lee, Agnetha Periaho, Suzy Hamilton, Kim Hollier, Ann Smith, Kerrie Kramer, Natalie Woodlock, Amanda West, Nicole Smith, Carmen Davies, Bobby Harding

Guests: IGA Mount Warren Park, Dipak Amratial, Mark Boothman (State member)

Apologies: Melannie Markey, Lesley Solar,

Minutes:

Minutes of last meeting held 14 September 2016 were read and moved to be received.

Meeting had been chaired by Melannie Markey

Moved: Michelle Harrison

Seconded: Monica Goethals

Business arising from the minutes:

Correspondence:

Inward –

Bank Statements

Outward -

Nil

Inward correspondence be received and the outward adopted.

Moved: Michelle Harrison

Seconded: Monica Goethals

Business arising from the correspondence:

Treasurer's Report:

Account balance is \$26985 as at 26th Dec

\$6720 is class stall money raised from markets

Just under \$9000 raised at market

Moved: Amanda West

Seconded: Monica Goethals

Principals Report:

Welcome Back

Welcome back to what is going to be a great 2017. It has been good to see so many new faces in

our school this year especially in the 'Prep Year'. A warm welcome to all our new families starting with us for the very first time and I look forward to seeing you at the various school functions we will be having.

I would like to welcome our new staff – Miss Alycce Wilson (Prep), Miss Leah Castrission Yr.1, Ms Kim Lord Yr.5 And Ms Josie Burrige SEP. We trust that you will enjoy your stay at our lovely school.

Welcome back also to existing staff who have returned to us– Mrs Petula Murray and Mrs Sarah Charlton.

Class Allocations

2017 at Windaroo State School has certainly started off with a bang. We have 6 new Prep classes again this year and 39 classes across the school with more than 939 students. This is the biggest our school has been since the late 1990s. This year for the first time we had a Prep welcome day where our new students were introduced to their teachers before school started. This worked out so well that we have decided to have something similar with our older grades where the students will meet their new teacher for next year on the last week of school. More info to follow.

Meet The Teacher Afternoon

We are again offering parents the opportunity to meet your child's teacher on Tuesday 7th February at 3:15pm. This is an ideal opportunity for you to get to know about class routines and expectations etc. Looking forward to seeing you there.

The next few weeks are very important here at school as everyone settles into the new school year. Our aim is to make our students feel comfortable and successful in their new year level and classroom. Your child's teacher will be working closely with the class to establish classroom rules and routines. They will discuss behaviour and work expectations and set the tone for the year. Teachers are also currently working on developing a picture of the capabilities of each student.

Lots of assessment happens at the beginning of the year so that we gain an understanding of what your child already knows and what skills they need to develop or refine. Teachers can then use this information to develop programs that provide support and challenges for every student. Our curriculum is designed around building upon what a child already knows and using this to learn and discover more.

School Shoes

It's hard to believe that children often walk, run, play, ride, kick and climb their way up to five kilometres in their shoes EVERY day at school.

At Windaroo we encourage parents to ensure that their children have well-fitting, comfortable and appropriate footwear to enable them to fully participate in all school activities. Children's feet grow anywhere from 1 to 1.5 centimetres each year, and while the growth of a girl's feet slows down as they reach adolescence, boy's feet will continue to grow well into their teens. In their primary school years, the structure of children's feet is such that they are insensitive to ill-fitting

shoes. If they are too tight or short, their feet can be manipulated into the space without the pain that most mature feet would feel. Correctly fitted school shoes are critical to the healthy development of all children and the prevention of foot problems in their adult years.

If you are purchasing new school shoes for your child at the start of the school year, please consider the style of shoe which is most appropriate for your child. Can they tie their own laces or would a buckle or Velcro fastener be more appropriate? [Please also note that these shoes be black in colour as per our uniform policy.](#)

Hair

Please note that we strongly discourage 'exotic' hair cuts / styles (mulletts, stripes, patterns) and colours as per our uniform policy.

Entry into the School

Please note that only before/after school care parents are able to drive into the school grounds to drop off or pick up kids and that is only early mornings before 8am and after 4pm. [No other parents are allowed to drive into school.](#) This is for the safety of all our students please.

Concrete Pathways

Could I please request that parents and students walk on pathways and not across our lawns. This helps the grass to grow, which looks good and limits dust as well as reducing the spread of bindies.

Have a great term everyone. It is terrific having you all back!

Moved: Bobby Harding

Seconded: Monica Goethals

P&C Presidents Report:

Read by Mr Harding

Welcome to 2017, to all our families who have returned and those beginning the journey through Primary school with us, we do hope that this year brings a wonderful experience your way. Our tea and tissues morning tea was a great way to start the year with many parents dropping in to say hello. We look forward to seeing some new and returning parents along to help with our upcoming events and hope that 2017 is another successful year for Windaroo state school and the P&C team, I'm sure you will continue to do an amazing job.

Moved: Bobby Harding

Seconded: Michelle Harrison

Fundraising Report:

No fundraising for last term of 2016

Market will be held on November 10 2017

Moved: Michelle Harrison

Seconded: Robyn Lee

Social Media Co-ordinator Representative:

All is flowing quite well.

A parents group has been started by Natalie that is separate from the school but she will be liaising with Michelle Harrison.

Moved: Michelle Harrison

Seconded: Carmen Davies

General Business:

Dipak Amratal, thanked P&C for invitation. He is from local IGA at Mt Warren Park and is part of a group that also own night owl stores. They aim to increase stores. Dipak has been part of P&Cs in the past. Being local he wants to give back to the school, (passed around flyer of proposal). IGA match prices from Coles and Woolworths and are sometimes cheaper. They will offer school loyalty cards and if parents shop at IGA Mout Warren Park they are given a bar code which is scanned. A statement is sent to the school of 3% rebate which is given back to the school. It is a simple program that is easily supported. There is no minimum spend.

They can also supply sausage etc for school sausage sizzle.

The P&C all voted in agreeance for the proposal to go ahead.

Permission given for Mother Day order for approx. \$4000.

Voluntary contribution for air con for \$100 per family or \$80 for a single student. Only 30% are currently paying. Parents only pay the invoice for the youngest student. It is hoped the contributions will increase this year.

Parents are still experiencing difficulty with exit on drop off. Will be discussed with Laurie further.

Tabled new look sports uniforms, coloured polo shirts at \$15 per shirt to be available through uniform shop.

Friday 3 March date for 25 year celebration had to be changed to Thursday 9th March
Capsule checked the week before but will be presented on day and a new one will then go in for the next 25 years. Photos will be displayed in hall. Past principals will come and there is an afternoon tea for special guests.

Next Meeting:

Our next meeting AGM will be held 22 February 2017 at 9:15 in the Lone Pine Hall.

Meeting closed at: 10:05

Minutes endorsed as true and correct ___/___/_____

President's signature: _____