



Northmead

Creative and Performing Arts High School

10th May 2023 P&C meeting

Present: Mary Byrnes, Claire Keipert, Kim Sheils, Katherine Kirk, Yasmin Duckworth, Chris Kirk

Narelle Vazquez, Mark Milne, Jaythene Hiscock, Jerremy Windeyer

Meeting opened 6:38

Acknowledgment of Country

Minutes move by Mary seconded by Katherine

Update to minutes was unfortunately SDD extra that was to be online learning was not approved.

President's report- Claire Keipert

* nothing to report from the president

Treasure's report Mary Byrnes

Currently have \$37058 in our account but waiting for a \$30,87 cheque to go out \$6186.24 in the account

Principal's report- Narelle Vazquez

- report be done by the end of the term. Midyear assessment are underway at the moment.
- Parent teacher interviews in term 3
- panel for DP replacing Fiona is meeting to write the ad hoping to be up and running in three weeks
- Fiona has left an enormous legacy and he's enjoying the challenge of her new school
- to replace Mr Aquette for art
- Add to go out tomorrow
- panel for PE position to be filled
- Running without PE teacher due to teacher shortage
- Year 7 camp next week with Maria going with year 7
- Uniforms are poor at the moment because it's quite cold please encourage your children to wear correct uniform. Can P&C put out on the parent chat that you endorse wearing full school uniform so our school looks nice
- A survey will go out asking about what people think about parent teacher night
- Possibly losing a science teacher in term 3 this teacher has to travel 1 1/2 hours each way each day so they're looking for a job closer to home

DP report-

- show case for creative arts will be in week 7
- 7th of June will be music for stage 6
- wake 8 on the 13th of June will be done and on the 22nd of June will be drama
- feedback on outdoor cinema great success kids well behaved and made enough to cover costs and a little in the Kitty for next one which will be a 60s theme
- year 11 assessments completed some have misadventures due to illness but overall going well yeah 9 is going well



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Deputy Principal's report- Mark Milne

- parent teacher interviews for 7-9 and ten were very full it was up at night parent teacher interviews for year 11 and year eight was a quiet tonight
- a survey will come out asking about if places were easy to find how it was with booking and do we want zoom or face to face with parent teacher interviews in term 3 they're happy to do either.
- There was definitely a larger turn out than last time for the parent teacher interviews
- year 8 checking assessment for literacy and numeracy will be in week 6 it is used by staff to identify students who need programmes
- naplan change is changing when it is coming out and how they are reporting
- E.V. In August looking at where we have assessed ourselves on the current school plan
- we need a parent representative to be on that and to look at evidence and see how we are meeting our goals
- for year 10 there will be tafe tasters on three campuses over a nine week programme also interest in term three and four for year 10 doing work experience
- Subject selection for year 11 will have dates advertised soon and parent information nights
- building works for paths this week and fence still to be done

General business

* Chris proposes that the P&C becomes incorporated if it is not already one of the benefits that is individuals are not liable as individuals are protected members, also it helps when applying for grants

The only requirement would be that we have to follow the P&C constitution but we can keep our bylaws as long as they don't contradict the P&C constitution all we can adopt theirs which is recommended

Question: what's the process

Answer: fill out a form and a one of payment of \$100

proposal move by Chris and seconded by Kim voted upon and passed

* there needs to be a financial report done still for the PNC

* question: do we need more sports uniforms as Chris was speaking to Mr. Williams of PSSA and asking about the uniforms?

* : Answer: Mr Milne will follow up with Mr. Williams

Question: lockers and locker hire is that a possibility for the school

Answer: they used to be lockers but they found contraband and also with food being left in there so rats became a problem; bags really should not be that heavy as they should only be carrying laptops

Question: it was quite dark for parent teacher night will there be lights near the stairwell?

Answer: lights will be up but we need an electrician to install properly



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Question: regarding phones been not being allowed to be used from term 4 onwards is the school considering Yonder pouches for phones?

Answer: Yonder pouches are not working at other schools very well is there feedback so currently at this stage no.

Question what is the current policy around mobile phone use in school?

answer: they have a first warning and they have to put it away they get a second warning and it is put in the teachers desk

question vaping what is the schools approach to it

answer: there's been an extensive programme around it and miss Scott's been working with western Sydney university looking at the effects of vaping and they're going to be providing a report about chemicals found in vaping. There hasn't been a lot of student reports or reports from teachers on duty about children vaping lately.

Meeting closed 7:45pm