

**CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL**  
**Minutes of P&C General Meeting**  
**Tuesday 5 June 2018**

**Attendance as per the book.**

**Meeting started – 7.30pm**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Presentation by Craig Anderson**

Head of IT on Canvas LMS (Learning Management Structure).

Canvas is now being used as the main platform for students and teachers for schoolwork, assignments, communication, etc. Discussion forums are working well between students and teachers as well as students and peers. Teacher marking and feedback feature is a fabulous benefit.

Incredible uptake by staff and students - 590 classes using Canvas now, with most teachers using the tool.

Going forward:

- ongoing training and professional dialogue around Canvas use and best practice
- increasing the number of classes/courses using Canvas
- whole school use of class analytics
- professional development in best practice in the use of digital pedagogies

Looking at other platforms (eg Edmodo, Moodle, OneNote Classroom) being switched off by the end of 2018.

Thank you to Craig for the presentation.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Accepted

Proposed: Ron Harrop; Seconded: Janice Marshall

**Principal's report:**

Staffing: HSIE running a panel to recruit for a vacated role.

Curriculum and Administration: Year 12 reports due to be posted this Fri; Year 11 reports were distributed at tonight's parent/teacher interviews. Overall, the school has very impressive students and equally impressive achievements.

NESA is reviewing the HSC curriculum - first review in approx over 20 years. Trying to prepare students for careers given the dynamic change in technology - "future proofing".

### Building Programme:

Basketball re-alignment and cover are moving along nicely, however delays could be experienced with laying the base for the court due to issues arising from the wet weather and temperature.

Science block re-furbishment going to plan.

### Welfare:

\* NAPLAN - currently being marked. A range of schools trialled the online method. Fairly successful outcome. The plan is for NAPLAN to go fully online by 2020. Given CTHS' size and scale, some obstacles to be considered and overcome.

\* Eddie Woo - new TV show on ABC Kids - "Teenage Boss". Essential concept - children are given the family budget to manage. Live feed featuring Eddie and year 7 students on 21 June.

\* Peer support applications being submitted currently.

### Important dates:

19 June - 2018/2019 student leadership team speeches.

6 June - volunteers' luncheon.

Kokoda trek - wish them all the best.

### **Other matters:**

\* CTHS App not working well for reminders due to entries being put in at beginning of year and not revised when changes occur. Currently being looked at.

\* Investigations requested into student invoicing system, such as a link to be placed on the school's website for making payments (in addition to the emailed invoices being sent).

### **Treasurer's report:**

P&C Contributions haven't yet moved into the P&C's accounts due to the new finance system introduced by the Department. Approximate balances: P&C = \$180,000; canteen = \$250,000.

New Westpac account has been opened and funds to be moved across once signatories finalised.

### **Federation report:**

Elections have just been run for this area. Tim has been re-elected for another two years. Congratulations to Tim.

Tim is on the Curriculum Committee for the proposed changes. Entire K-12 curriculum to be overhauled. The near future is when we as parents will have an opportunity to have input. Many opportunities to change the way subjects are taught. KLAs currently quite separate entities; looking at how the KLAs can overlap as well as how TAFE courses can be integrated. Currently there are no "terms of reference". Tim is happy to hear comments and ideas from parents to submit to the Committee.

The Education Minister has called for the scrapping of NAPLAN. Other education ministers have similarly commented. Basically the push is for a national review of NAPLAN.

Varying degrees of success with the online NAPLAN trial.

Change to the GAT policy is coming through. One change will be that 20% of cohort is placed into the programme rather than the current 10%.

### **Funding report:**

Fund-raising Dinner at Biviano's in celebration of the new building is being planned. We as the parent body are asked to do what we can to raise funds to continue to improve the standard of buildings and grounds of the school. Date of dinner was reviewed at P&C Exec meeting to 13 November. Committee working eagerly on this. Further information to come. All encouraged to attend.

Winter Solstice Ball - 23 June - Flyers distributed. Fund-raising for the band and music programme. Planning well underway with 65 tickets sold so far. Silent auction on the night. Parents encouraged to attend.

### **Canteen report:**

- \* Implementation of "tap n go" to speed up serving times is being considered.
- \* Different menu options being looked at. Believed to be trialling at present. Goal to help increase sales.
- \* Results from recent survey being compiled. Also looking to help increase sales.
- \* WHS quarterly audit of the premises is being conducted. The Canteen WHS Policy is almost complete.

### **Correspondence:**

Letter from Yeh Bee Soh to the P&C requesting help from the school to find a team to takeover the catering duties for the special assemblies (6/year). Suggested to parents present that this was a great way to become involved with the school.

### **General business:**

There was no general business.

**Meeting closed - 9.00pm**