

CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL
Minutes of P&C General Meeting
Tuesday 21st November 2017

Attendance as per the book

Meeting started – 8.00pm

Meeting Minutes were proposed by Michelle Commens & Helen Wrench.

Principal's report

SWOT analysis

The school senior executive to lead small groups through a SWOT analysis to determine community input into the school's strategic plan.

Curriculum & Admin

It has been a remarkably busy term since our last meeting. Most of the highlights have been reported in Network. The students for the most part have been very good, coping very well with the reduced playground areas created by the relocation of the demountables. Uniform has also been excellent and the pride students have in the school and their commitment to learning is quite inspiring.

Building program

The building of the new classrooms continues to move along at quite a pace. Three demountable staffrooms (English, LOTE, IT) will be moved off site next week in preparation for the siting of the new 2 storey modular building due to be delivered to the school the week before Christmas. The three KLA teams will move to the library until midway through term 1 2018 when the new building is scheduled to be finished. The main staffroom will be gutted at the end of term 1 2018 and undergo a refurbishment for staff in order to update and accommodate a different configuration of staff with, hopefully, more innovative storage methods and seating arrangements. New furniture will replace the current 25 year old desks and chairs.

Literary Festival

Took place last week – Year 7 involved with 8 visiting authors. Workshops, lectures and reading were all part of the day. All in all a great success.

2017 /18 Swimming Carnival

The 2018 swimming carnival will take place tomorrow. This is a normal school day and all students are expected to attend. The venue this year is SOPAC at Homebush. Whilst not the best venue for our students it does offer the advantage of keeping students out of the sun and is one of Australia's best venues for competitive swimmers.

Year 12 HSC now complete / Results 14 December / ATAR release 15 December

Year 12 exams are now complete. We now await the results with anticipation.

Year 11 into 12

Year 11 students are now heavily into their HSC course work. A recent information evening was well attended by parents with a range of information communicated in the areas of student rights and responsibilities and student assessment.

Year 10

With the abolition of the School certificate and the implementation of the ROSA Year 10 students will stay on at school until Friday 15 December. Their final assembly will now take place on Tuesday 12 December during periods 1 & 2.

Years 7, 8 & 9

Each of these years is currently completing final assessment items and staff are heavily involved in the laborious task of preparing reports for each of these years.

Student numbers 2017

At the present moment the school is looking at an enrolment of approximately 1990 students. Year 7 will have approximately 300 students in 11 core classes. The housing of all these students remains an ongoing challenge particularly the huge Year 11 and 12.

Staffing

This year, the list of changes is longer than any other during my time at the school and includes many who have given outstanding service to the school over many years. First and foremost we have the retirements of Jenny Bevan, one of our Deputies and Kim Gibbs, Head teacher Science, between them they have given over 50 years of wonderful service to this school and community. Other retirements are Mr Greg Bamford, Mrs Jannie Gobert and Anthony Tong from the Mathematics department. Rosemary Edwards our long serving and incredibly hard working office manager is also retiring, so too John Burroughs, our long time general assistant. Apart from these departures, and I guess it says something about where the baby boomers are up to. Others to leave us include Andrew Kerr, Dan Jones, Ken Lee and Tory Goykovic all of whom have relocated to different parts of the country seeking either a sea or tree change.

My thanks to members of the P&C who are assisting on panels over the next few weeks as we scramble to fill all these vacancies.

Important dates

- Presentation night Tuesday 5 December
- Sports Assembly will take place on Thursday 7 December

- Year 7, 2017, orientation day will take place on Tuesday 5 December
- Presentation Assemblies for 7, 8 & 9 Friday 8 December
- Year 10 Transition assembly Tuesday 12 December 9.30

Other matters

- Mufti day – White & Black Ribbon associations were the beneficiaries of an enormously successful day.
- The MADD concert, held recently was a great success. Very strong audience support was one of the features of the night.
- Final day of 2017 school year for students. School will effectively conclude for students at the end of period 4 on Friday the 15th of December. Details have been regularly posted in NETWORK
- Planning for 2018 is all but complete and timetable is nearing completion. However, ongoing adjustments will need to be made as new staff are appointed.
- The next meeting of the P&C, will be on 13 February 2018. 7.30pm start in Common Room.

Finally on behalf of the entire school can I thank all those loyal P&C reps that are finishing up tonight for their work over the past 6 or more years.

I'd also like to take a moment to thank all of you and the entire parent body for being so supportive of the executive team and myself during 2017.

Alumni: Newsletter circulated. Mid February 2018 – past Captains Morning Tea. Farewell AJ and introducing and welcoming Erin Cockerton, she will continue with Alumni next year.

Canteen Sub-Committee Report: Janice and Helen will be finalising WHS policy.

- Last Health & Safety check for the year - occurring next Thursday 30th November.
- Canteen is running smoothly. Staff completing their First Aid Certificates by the end of November 2017.
- Ask students through a Monkey Survey next year (2018) what they want, think about the canteen.
- Canteen roster for 2018 is filling up nicely.

Federation report: Met with minister about the Naplan online – going online possibly 2020. Rural remote regions – gifted and talented spectrum students in high school are being better serviced. “Cloud services” for P&C members – all access to Microsoft suite. We will be able to store our minutes etc on the cloud.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

P&C ACCOUNT St. George TOTAL Fund

**BALANCES as at
15th November, 2017**

NAB

<u>AUD</u>		<u>AUD</u>		<u>AUD</u>
<u>General</u>	<u>28,929.78</u>	<u>149,336.30</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>178,266.08</u>
<u>Grounds</u>	<u>201.53</u>	<u>67,867.18</u>		<u>68,068.71</u>
<u>Building</u>	<u>620.00</u>	<u>309,010.80</u>	<u>**</u>	<u>309,630.80</u>
<u>TOTAL Bank</u>	<u>29,751.31</u>	<u>426,214.28</u>		<u>555,965.59</u>

NOTE : *

St. George Building Fund
Balance include a Term Deposit
of AUD 300,000- @ 2.4% p.a.
maturing on 19th Feb, 2018

Budget meeting – Feb 2018

AGM – March 2018

Next Meeting - Tuesday 13/2/18 7.30pm Mr Johnston will present 2017 HSC report.

General business: 6.30-7.30pm - Executive Meeting

7.30-8.30pm - P&C meeting

Meeting closed - 9.10pm