



Anzac Park Public School P&C Meeting 11 August 2020, at 7pm Meeting Minutes

Meeting opened: Sarah Robinson opened the APPS Parents and Citizens (P&C) meeting at 7:02pm on Tuesday 11 August 2020 in the Staff Room and Zoom.

In attendance: **On Site:** Sarah Robinson, Troy Robinson, Kirsty Cranfield, Unity Taylor-Hill; Amy Sackville
Via Video Conference (captured via google forms): Diane Manoughian, Hemant Tiwari, Kathryn Allen, Rhys Williams, Kim Huggonson, Erkhembileg Tsogtgerel, Carmen Tate, Aletia Deane, Elissa (Lee) Auzins, Leticia Campos, Carnen Loecherer, Marcela Gonzalez, Liz Torokfalvy, Sally Murali, Julia Nelson, Rashmeet Kaur, Ario Ike, Akiko Ike, Bimal Chandra, Martin Bregozzo, Loic Golliard, Julie-Anne Edwards, Evelyn de Moraes.

Apologies: Briony Geekie,

Minutes from: Kirsty Cranfield accepted the minutes from Tuesday 9 June 2020

Correspondence In/Out: Nil

President's Report: (Sarah Robinson)

- 2nd Zoom meeting
- Good to have Envirobank and lots of positive feedback – 51 bags collected. At this stage will have collections every 1st Thursday of the month so bags can be collected at 9.30am.

Principal's Report: (Mrs Unity Taylor-Hill)

- Covid response:
 - At end of last term the department communicated for Term 3 that things were looking good in Sydney. There is no change on this advice and the school has been able to resume some activities.
 - Although timetable could move back from staggered, APPS decided to be more conservative. Week 4 beneficial to take more curious approach so kids have as normal routine as possible. Library now reopened in Covid safe way, hygiene reminders in place.
 - We are sad parents can't be in school and we are looking at ways we connect with parents.
- Students reporting process: summary report was approved by department and sent in week 2 of Term 3. 150 parents responded to survey which was mostly positive. Execs reviewed feedback and will incorporate this including checklist for key learning areas and comparison data into future reports.
- External validation where panel comes in week 10 and tests school against school excellence framework. Panel validates the schools self-assessment.
- Work done on the front steps & couple of classrooms to resolve issues from new build. Good to see action is being taken as APPS is one of the first in the new school build. Department needs to include new build unique features in standard maintenance.
- In the next few weeks as student numbers are agreed for 2021 will finalise the number of teachers for 2021, confirmed this will include 2nd deputy principle.
- Currently have 2 open teacher positions.
- Term 3 events –
 - Kindy sports fun day in school;
 - BOYD program looking how we communicate;
 - Student led conferences – will need to move to video conferencing and parent teacher and not student led. Will send info in next few weeks for week 9.
 - First school tours start next week via zoom.
 - 4 teachers from pre service teachers from Uni.

Treasurers Report:
(Di Manoughian)

CBA: \$64,462.03 (Monday)

- Playground equipment has largely been paid for and is currently being installed.
- Parent contributions will be added to Term 3 invoices. These are voluntary contributions.
- Envirobank collections have been restarted

Income YTD

Event income: \$1.7K (Welcome BBQ \$1.7K)

Second hand uniform sales: \$2.7K (majority from sale in term 1)

Envirobank collections: \$258 for term 1 collections, term 3 collection amount \$128.80

Entertainment book: \$514

Playground grant: \$20K

Expenses YTD

Playground equipment: \$170K (balance still to settle, approx. \$4-5K)

Event expenses: \$1.2K (Welcome BBQ)

Donation APPS \$1,500 for teacher and staff thank you lunches

Subscriptions: \$600 (Konnective, Xero)

Insurance: \$465

General Matters:

Voluntary contributions (Troy and Sarah Robinson)

- Reducing contribution 1 child to \$150 from \$220 and family to \$250 from \$350
- A number of families have feedback they are happy to pay
- Looking to work with Wendy on logistics including adjusted amount and agreed time
- Question asked how voluntary contributions compare to other schools in the area and from previous research APPS is in the middle.
- As there are less fundraising opportunity it was felt the voluntary contribution was important.

Jigsaw tender (Unity Taylor-Hill)

- Tender closed with over 50 people came to see school.
- Received a large number of tenders
- Tender committee has to follow clear criteria: 30% price; 70% weighting e.g. level of training, food that they provide, activities.
- Successful company will be told on Friday and likely to be a 2021 start.
- Jigsaw was 3 year contract with option to extend. Current tender is an 8 year contract: benefits continuity of service and commitment. There is also an easier exit if there are concerns with the provider.

APPS Homework Policy (Raised by Ciara Lancaster)

- Policy on school website and research undertaken in 2017 and reviewed in 2018.
- Research shows that reading is the biggest difference.
- Excessive homework doesn't make an impact.
- Higher years is based on readiness for high school. Focus group from previous APPS children who felt very prepared for High school.

Support group for parents of neurodiverse children – (Liz Torokfalvy)

- Concern raised that isolating for parents who want to connect with other parents to create community
- P and C happy to support as long as we can protect privacy.
- Parent opt in facilitated by P and C. Including in the newsletter with group contact which Liz is happy to do.

Tunnels Update – (Rhys Williams).

- Please see attached document

Playground Equipment Update (Unity Taylor-Hill)

- Excitement is growing with children including the building site!
- Wet weather has delayed completion slightly
- Top playground ropes and climbing
- Wellbeing team is going to rollout playgrounds implement safely
- Thanks for the family contributions for making this happen

Traffic co-ordinator (Liz Wise)

- Traffic assessment was contacted last term but still haven't come to count. Will be counting the number of cars going over the crossing.
- Thanks to those parents who are following safety for the kids. Please promote kids safety
- Reminder for parents that kids are will be ready for pick up about 5 mins after bell goes.

Contact to the P&C at anzacparkpandc@gmail.com or via the Konnective App

Meeting Closed at 7.36pm

Next Meeting – Tuesday 8 September 2020, 7pm