



**Anzac Park Public School P&C Meeting Minutes**  
**APPS Staffroom**  
**Tuesday 14 February 2023, 7pm**

ATTENDANCE:	Joanna Zanello (JZ) Ian Hindley (IH) ( <i>Treasurer</i> ) Louise Griffiths ( <i>Secretary</i> ) Carmen Tate (CT)	Executive Team
	Unity Taylor-Hill (UTH) ( <i>School Principal</i> ) Nicholas Johnson ( <i>Assistant Principal, Teaching &amp; Instruction</i> )	APPS Representatives
	Kathryn Allen (KA) ( <i>OOSH Coordinator</i> ), Varun Arora, Shilpa Aggarwal, Elizabeth Abbott, Kate Piper, Roy Ghandi, Eleni Enolt, Iris Eustice, Erin Byrne, Steve King, Luke Russell, Vicki Green, Takash Mcfane.	Parent/Carer Community
APOLOGIES:	Elissa (Lee) Auzins Alex Peutherer ( <i>Grants Coordinator</i> )	

1. OPEN	JZ welcomed parents to the APPS P&C meeting which opened at 7.01pm.
2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS P&C MEETING:	Minutes of the P&C meeting held on Tuesday 8 November 2022 were confirmed as a true record by KA and CT.
3. CORRESPONDENCE IN/OUT	Nil
4. VACANT P&C POSITIONS & UPCOMING AGM	JZ addressed this item.  The P&C AGM will be held on 14 March 2023 where a number of vacant and new P&C roles will become available for parents to volunteer to undertake. An overview of the AGM and position descriptions of the P&C roles will be added to COMPASS in the coming days. JZ and LG spoke briefly about their roles and provided insight into the benefits of being on the Exec Committee. JZ

	<p>reiterated that roles are flexible and can be undertaken casually or formally, and that positions can also be co-shared with a partner, friend or group of friends. JZ encouraged parents to give this some thought as this is a great opportunity to give something back to the school and to gain deeper knowledge about the school community for the benefit of our children.</p> <p>There is an intention to hold a Parent’s Night Out during the second half of the year with more details to follow once the event has been finalised.</p>
<p>5. PRESIDENT’S UPDATE</p>	<p>JZ addressed this item.</p> <p><b>Meet the Teacher/BBQ</b> event would be going ahead on Thursday 16 February. At this event, parents will be able to volunteer to become a Class Parent and JZ spoke to what this entails including reinforcing class/parent engagement, building relationships/friendships and supporting parents and teachers.</p> <p><b>Incorporation Update:</b> The P&amp;C is still waiting on incorporation. JZ will follow up again with the P&amp;C Association. JZ reiterated that the benefits of incorporation include access to more grants as well as being able to hold P&amp;C meetings online.</p> <p><b>North Sydney Council (NSC):</b> JZ advised that NSC has received a large volume of parent complaints regarding issues of safety in and around the school such as illegal parking etc. JZ confirmed that new signage is due to be installed to remind parents of their obligations when using the Kiss and Drop zone.</p>
<p>6. PRINCIPAL’S UPDATE</p>	<p>UTH addressed this item.</p> <p>Welcome to new and familiar faces.</p> <p>UTH advised that for the 2023 year, 844 students had been enrolled at APPS, with 32 mainstream classes and 2 support unit classes. UTH advised that the support units were based on the inclusion class model and embedded within mainstream programs.</p> <p><b>Meet the Teacher/BBQ,</b> A link to a presentation from the Assistant Principals will be provided to parents prior to the event so that parents can watch at their leisure to gain an understanding of school life. This will then provide parents with the opportunity on the evening to engage with their child’s teacher in an informal way. From 6.30pm, in conjunction with the P&amp;C and TeamKids, a</p>

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sausage sizzle will be available for the school community to come together.

**COMPASS:** continuing to roll this out and turn on new features as they become available. The calendar function is now available for parents. UTH remarked that parent recording of absences on the app has freed up significant time for teaching staff.

**Teaching staff.** New teaching staff this year included teachers from overseas. UTH welcomed Nick Johnson, who has taken a dual role as Assistant Principal Teaching and Instruction (APTI) (Mon – Wed) and Deputy Principal K-2 (Thurs – Fri). Mr Johnson introduced himself and provided an overview of his role.

**Restorative Practices.** UTH advised that Real Schools have commenced working with APPS to implement restorative practices as the underpinning methodology of the school's culture. The Belonging and Connection program will be introduced with more information to come throughout the year.

**Grade Newsletter** link was sent out via COMPASS to parents last week. Explained that this is a great resource for parents/carers to keep up to date with key learning programs for each grade, each term.

**Student/Teacher Squads** will kick off tomorrow. 10 YR 6 leaders and 30 leaders from the rest of the school will meet to discuss school issues around topics such as sport, inclusion and diversity, sustainability etc.

**Appropriate use of Communication Devices.** Clarification has been sought over some of the rules around mobile devices. Primary schools are not to have mobile phones or SMART watches turned on during school hours. Children are welcome to leave their devices at the office or to turn them off and put them in their school bags.

**TfNSW – Warringah Freeway update.** JZ and UTH met with the contractor at the end of last year to discuss the use of Cammeray Avenue. Heavy vehicle movements are prohibited along Anzac Avenue during school zone times. UTH will provide a telephone number for parents to report any non-compliance to the contractor in this week's newsletter.

<p>7. TREASURER'S UPDATE</p>	<p>IH addressed this item.</p> <p>Since November 2022 to 31 December 2022, funds held increased by \$3,605 to \$210,023 based upon second hand uniform sales, Mountain Top BBQ, Envirobank and the Entertainment Book proceeds. A donation to the foundation year celebration of \$1,275 was also provided.</p>
<p>8. AREAS OF GENERAL BUSINESS:</p>	<p><b>TeamKids</b></p> <p>Nicholas Siarakas and Lisa Garijian from TeamKids addressed this item.</p> <p>Summer Holiday vacation saw extremely high attendance with the highest numbers of kindergarten students (48) attending than in previous years. Excursions included rock climbing, laser tag and slime.</p> <p>Since school has commenced, BSC and ASC attendances are increasing each week but there is still space before capacity is reached.</p> <p>The children have been putting together ideas for clubs and TeamKids are in the process of arranging the club timetable.</p> <p>TeamKids communicate to parents through their board at the sign-in/out desk as well as via their Facebook page. Communications also go into the school newsletter.</p> <p><b>Morning Tea 3 March 2023</b></p> <p>A reminder that a morning tea will be held once class parents have been selected to run through expectations of the role and Q&amp;A.</p> <p><b>Grants</b></p> <p>No update on this item as Ms Peutherer was an apology for the meeting.</p> <p><b>Ethics Program</b></p> <p>Elizabeth Abbott provided a presentation on the Ethics Program at APPS including the role of the Ethics Teacher. Ms Abbott explained that APPS runs the largest ethics program across the state, but is unable to cater for all grades this year due to a shortage in parent volunteers. Ms Abbott went through what is involved in terms of</p>

	<p>parent/carer commitment to the program, including the training requirement.</p> <p>An information handout was also provided.</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> P&amp;C to add the information handout to the school Facebook page and upload to COMPASS.</p>
9. NEXT MEETING	The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 14 March 2023.
10. CLOSE	There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.06pm.