



## **Anzac Park Public School P&C Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> February, at 7pm, 2017 Meeting Minutes**

Meeting opened:	Russell Rigby opened the APPS Parents and Citizens (P&C) meeting at 7.05 pm on 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2017, in the Staff Room.
In attendance:	Listing
Apologies:	Jeffrey Bugeja
Minutes from:	N/a
Correspondence In/Out:	N/a
Principal's Report: (Mrs Unity Taylor-Hill)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Currently have 317 students enrolled in 2017 – across 16 classes.</li><li>2. Parents are interested in the Extra Curricular activities being held at APPS. Timetable of the activities available to be circulated once finalised. As a community if there are other any other extracurricular activities that have worked at other schools and if we can accommodate we will.</li><li>3. Be proactive and speak to your teachers if you have any concerns. Speak to Classroom teacher first -&gt; Assistant principal -&gt; Principal. Email addresses and contact details were provided in their introductory letters.</li><li>4. The executive team has grown. We now have 3 assistant principals.</li><li>5. Term 1 events:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Swimming Carnival hosted today at NS Pool. Great event with 80% of students participating.</li><li>b. Scripture program commences next Tuesday</li><li>c. Stage 3 excursion to Canberra</li><li>d. Parent/Teacher (3-way) interviews are being conducted at the end of March</li><li>e. Harmony Day is coming up (end of March)– where we celebrate living in a multicultural country, colour to wear is Orange.</li></ol></li><li>6. By the end of the term we should have all of the classrooms fully furnished.</li><li>7. Currently sourcing a casual pool of teachers to ensure leave is covered.</li></ol>
Presidents Report: (Russell Rigby)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Welcomed all new and returning Anzac Park Parents.</li><li>2. Have spoken to Jigsaw with regards to potentially providing care during the evening of the P&amp;C meeting to allow more parents to attend the meetings.</li><li>3. This year we have more children allowing us to scale our funding to meet more initiatives.</li><li>4. The P&amp;C AGM will be held on the 14th March. All Committee positions become vacant and are up for nomination. Please complete the forms and return if you wish to be nominated for a position.</li></ol>
Treasurer Report: (Mr Mike Song)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The current balance is \$8,554.00 of which \$5,000 is being held in a high interest earning term deposit.</li></ol>

General Matters:

1. Additional **shade** for the school – The best place for a shade structure would be the upper terrace as the lower terrace has the hall for shade. It is quite a lengthy process. Applications need to be lodged, engineering reports provided, NS Council also needs to be notified of the proposed structure and then quotes obtained. A quote received previously was approx. \$50k. We also need to be safety conscious with regards to the poles that are required as part of the structure. Wes Shaw suggested to attach shade cloth to the existing arbour on the upper terrace in the short term. He will head up the shade committee. Any volunteers wishing to join the committee please email the P&C. In the meantime, Unity will commence the application process and hopefully by the time we have the relevant approvals, we have raised the required funds to fund the purchase and installation.
2. It was suggested that children **BYO sunscreen** and for the classroom teachers to remind the children to reapply.
3. Schools have the opportunity of creating a “Building Fund” in which all donations are tax deductible.
4. Classrooms have been architecturally designed to combat the heat and cold as best they can.
5. Unity has an upcoming appointment with STA to discuss potential school bus routes and volumes.
6. Morning Routine - children are to leave their bags in their allocated spaces and then are to play on the lower terrace where the teacher is on duty.
7. Alternate School Access - There is a pedestrian gate at the back of the school from Miller Street, however there is a DA detailing how long the entrance can be opened each day.
8. Guest Speakers Alex Carpenter from Bike Network and Lindsay Munday the Sustainable Transport Officer for North Sydney. Alex writes the run/ride program in NSW, working with the current infrastructure and getting active travel NOW though decals on the ground and workshop sessions. The program is fully backed by council. Through his program they saw a 20% increase in active travel at the NS Demonstration School. Should APPS wish to accept the initiative, we will need to confirm as soon as possible. North Sydney council currently have budget for only one school in the area. Alex to host a separate workshop to customise the program to suit APPS.
9. **Road Safety Update** – Key concerns: vehicle speeds along Miller & Ernest Streets and the intersection. The small pedestrian island in the North East section of the intersection of Ernest and Miller Street. The limited number of pedestrian crossings and the pedestrian refuge on Ernest Street outside the café across the road.

Late last year we approached the council regarding our concerns. North Sydney council responded informing us that these are RMS issues. Fortunately, we have since been in contact with counsellors, the mayor and traffic engineers. We have met with Gladys Berejiklian and Trent Zimmerman expressing our concerns. They are in full support of our issues. Unity has spoken to RMS today to continue to lobby these issues. Grant presented to the North Sydney Traffic Committee on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Feb and they were supportive about lobbying RMS to review the safety issues in the area. Rosalind Street and Anzac Avenue are within the remit of North Sydney council. Ernest street is a regional road, however is heavily governed by RMS who is the final approving body on any structural works.

Grant Kepler has spoken to STA regarding “Not in Service” buses using Anzac Road. If anyone sees any of these buses using this road, please take a photo of the bus and email Grant [gkepler@lonerganedwards.com.au](mailto:gkepler@lonerganedwards.com.au)

North Sydney Council is not happy with people using the island refuge to cross Ernest Street. Unity to detail in the newsletter for parents to avoid using the island refuge as a crossing.

APPS does not currently meet the volume requirements for a crossing supervisor. It was suggested to create a parent roster to assist with the kiss and drop process and assist with getting children out of the vehicles and walking them into the school. Parents who assist would also need to acquire their Working with Children Accreditation.

Items to carry over to next meeting:

P&C Constitution & By Laws  
Additional Insurance  
Term 1 event

Meeting closed:

Russell Rigby closed the meeting at 8:45 pm in the Teacher's Staff Room.

Next P&C meeting:

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2017

Meeting minutes distribution:

To be circulated on the Anzac Park Public School website.