



Southwell School Association



Meeting Minutes

7.30pm, Tuesday 8th May, 2018

Dining Room, Southwell School

7:30pm Meeting start

Present

Yolanda Rushbrooke, Daniel Cross, Kate McKay, Jason Speedy, Kathy Crossland, Toni Duncan, Jacinda Foster, Cheryl Hobson, Claudine Johnstone, Keli Knox-Lowther, Jo Maber, Jade McNally, Kishanee Pasupati, Sheilpa Patel, Paula Ruske, Rochelle Saunders, Lynley Tang, Rachel Waldergrave, Sheree Williamson.

Apologies

Jo Clegg, Lara Crowther, Karen O’Meeghan, Debi Gallagher, Louise Mollard, Ali Mallett, Ange Edwards, Lana Engelbrecht, Karyn de Leew, Medina Jackson, Kirsty Ronowicz.

Minutes of last meeting (3rd April 2018)

Confirming a true and accurate record

Passed: Daniel Cross

Seconded: Jade McNally

Nominations for President and Vice President

As there are 15 members present, voting on the President and Vice President took place.

Nomination for President – Yolanda Rushbrooke

Passed: Sheilpa Patel

Seconded: Kathy Crossland

Voted: 15 agree

Nomination for Vice President – Daniel Cross

Passed: Sheilpa Patel

Seconded: Kathy Crossland

Voted: 15 agree

Action Points from previous meeting:

- **Class Rep list** – This has been sent out to all class reps and reminder about organising parent catch-ups this term.
- **Parent contact list availability** – This won’t be sent out due to privacy issues. Initiative should come from parents rather than school. A suggestion was raised that the Google forms used for school sport should have an opt-out of sharing contact details as this is when details are usually required (for sport teams). Jason will follow up with Miriam Ellis to see if this is possible (AP)

Reports:

Headmasters Report provided by Jason Speedy

Roll

- Just over 600.
- 2019. Some year groups are at or close to capacity.

Open Day

- 25 May 10am to 4pm

Website and Parent Portal

- Re framing Draft is near completion.
- Parents will receive clear communication by email prior to initiating.

Term 2's Big Idea = Innovation. Term Overviews sent out last week by teachers.

Staffing Update

- Year 1. Linda Tiffany replaces Venetta Coetzee
- Shop. Tess Benseman
- Dining Hall Agnes Pere = Kitchen Assistant, Tues/Wed/Thurs
Deepak Kumar = Sous Chef
- Performing Arts. Victoria Trenwith starts Week 5.

Database

- Former student Amy Ruddock is working part time on our data base, using Facebook etc to search out old boys and girls.

OBGA

- Opening Facebook to all, so not a closed group.

Term 1 – To conclude:

- Year 5 Production. Thank you to our Y5 students & staff for their effort, work & result.
- Grandparents Day. Record numbers.
- Opening of the Murray & Ann Day Building

Term 2 - Some Key Events coming up:

- ANZAC Service
- Sport & Cultural - Grading
- Bug World Trip for Y3 & 4
- Book Week & Friday Character Day (11/5)
- Disco's (8/6)
- Sunday House Chapel Services (10/6)
- J Rock (11/6)
- Y7 Productions (11/6 & 12/6)
- Y4 Production (20/6)

- Speech Contests
- House Singing Comp (27/6)

Southwell Glossary of terms

- Sharing with group tonight to add other terms that may be useful after discussion at last SSA meeting.

General Business:

- School Disco (08/06) – Karyn de Leeuw is organising and underway. Requires photographers for on the night so will add a request when the minutes are sent out
- Southwell Flavours cookbook – Louise Mollard has asked for a reminder about some recipes for the book. Email to be sent out shortly. The cookbook publication will be fundraising for the school library and scholarships. There was a question raised about future covering of costs for the library expansion. Jason will bring the Library Extension proposal to next SSA meeting (AP)
- Annual Quiz night – need Committee and Theme
 - Daniel Cross, Kathy Crossland and Sheree Williamson have volunteered for committee.
 - Possible theme proposed is FRENCH
 - Elliott Tiffany proposed as quiz master (tbc)
- Homestead revamp – The homestead has been re-vamped as a common area for the school. There are several rooms available as well as a private apartment. Primarily a staff zone through the day, however this can be used by SSA for events and small group meetings and can be booked via Karina Halley, Events and Facility Hire Manager. Jason showed the group around after the meeting.
- Future Fundraising - discussion raised around the idea of fundraising for a particular item (i.e. covered turf) rather than general fundraising. Jason will bring the draft campus plan to the SSA meeting when ready (AP).

Meeting closed at 8:15pm