



# ERSKINE PARK HIGH SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION

**Minutes of General Meeting**

**Date: Monday 28 March 2011**

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**Meeting Opened:** 7.29pm

**Attendance:** Kerri Bradbury, Debbie Coates, Vicki Goldsmith, Karen Judge, Tracy Smith, Terri White, Linda Brown, Janelle Warton, Nayana Vancuylenburg, Chris Gregory, Tim McCallum, Greg Smith.

**Apologies:** Olga Iconomou, Sandy Maher, Amanda Foster.

**Previous Minutes:**

Read and approved.

Moved by: Terri White

Seconded by: Vicki Goldsmith

**Business Arising from Previous Minutes:**

- School representative sport is now on the school website – refer Zone and Regional Sports schedules on left hand side of website under 'NEW'.
- Mr McCallum said that there has been follow-up on smokers outside the school gate by the executive team. Thanks to parents for the information. It was mentioned there are kids smoking down the laneway at back of school. School happy to address these. Unacceptable behaviour.
- The school tour has been done this evening.
- Mr McCallum spoke about 'no hats no play' to students. When approaching a group of Yr 7 students in the playground they quickly spread out to shaded areas.
- Chris Hudswell sent a thank you to the school for flowers.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Account Balance as at 21/3/11:

\$10,552.06

Payments made to:

Foster's amusements – \$5,876  
Cross Country BBQ – \$495

Committed funds:

Tas 1 – \$1,116  
Banners – \$1,500  
Faculties Wish list approved – \$7,717

\*\*Waiting on microwave, DVD and banner invoice.

**Correspondence In:**

1. Global Funding Report for Erskine Park HS Semester 1
2. The DET (Dept. of Education and Training) - request for students, teachers and parents to fill out an evaluation survey on the DER-NSW (Digital Education Revolution) Laptops.

*Fundraising mail:* Sensory Solutions – taste testing; Signature Engraving – engraved pavers.

**Correspondence Out:**

NIL

**Principal's Report:**

- Photos are due shortly.
- Naplan trials will be held in Wk 1 of Term 2 for Yrs 7 & 9.

### **Principal's Report cont.**

- Mr McCallum is after a parent to be on the Uniform Contract Tender panel. Will be required for one afternoon from 2.30pm. 6 -10 companies may apply.
- Echo and Newsletters have hopefully been received. Annual report is now on website as well as mentioned in Echo.
- Lockdown occurred last week – school bags are to be left in rooms. Police are always informed of drills.
- Thanks to Karen and others who arranged and helped with the Cross Country BBQ.
- Panel for HSIE position convened this morning. The criteria were not met, so we will not be progressing to interviews.
- Drama room being outfitted with a new floor and lighting in the upcoming holidays. (lighting is from P&C donation)
- Maniah Betham and Josh Bright both excelled at the CHS (Combined High Schools) State Titles in swimming last week. Outstanding local press coverage as well (St Marys Star).

### **Fundraising Report:**

Cross Country BBQ made a profit of \$743. Canteen was open when it was advertised as being closed.

### **Deputy Principal's Report:**

- Last 2 weeks of this term are the Year 12 Half Yearly exams.
- Students are not back until Thursday 28 April, so NAPLAN trials will be on Thursday 28 and Friday 29 April.
- Sports Carnival will be held in Wk 4.
- Vaccination day last Wednesday went very well. Next round of vaccinations will be in Wk 5 of Term 2.
- Trish Holt (Science Lab Assistant) is retiring. She has been here for a long time.
- Bus Stop up the road (just up from the second driveway) – the school has been in negotiations with the bus company and council about it. It is not needed there.

### **Reports Accepted:**

Moved by: Linda Brown

Seconded by: Terri White

### **General Business:**

- Mr McCallum raised awareness about a new policy the DET wants parents to evaluate and offer opinions on whether the school is effective with dealing with bullying. The Welfare team will put out a revised version of their existing (strong) Anti-Bullying Policy. Discussions ensued on the problems of bullying at school, cyber-bullying and the impact of social networks.
- A parent raised concerns over the quality of the school Sloppy Joes. They have faded and changed colour despite being dried inside the house. Also the sizing was out and differs dramatically from the previous year.

**Meeting Closed:** 8.48pm

**Next Meeting:** Monday 30 May 2011 (due to April school hols)

**Future Meetings:** 27 June 2011  
25 July 2011  
29 August 2011  
(*September school hols 26/9 – 7/10*)  
24 October 2011  
28 November 2011