Minutes of Bulli High P & C Meeting  May 13th 2015
Opened: 7.10pm

Present: Chris Gregory, Chris Neave, Robyn Lang, Sharon Pember, Lyn Falkiner, Jennifer Coote, Kaye Dent, Michele Bateman, Vicki Hawken, Barbara Brown, Michelle Rafferty, Kerry Pedersen, Sue Cragg, Steve Delaney

Apologies: Joanne Chilton

Minutes from previous meeting:
- Amendments to minutes: General Business. Discussion around loss of freezer in Home Economics Department. Agreed that P&C would contribute $2000 towards purchasing new freezer.
  Moved: Vicki Hawken, Seconded: Lyn Falkiner

Accepted: Barbara Brown Seconded: Sharon Pember

Business Arising:
No business arising.
Minutes accepted: Vicki Hawken, Seconded: Sharon Pember

Principals report: Ms Chris Gregory
- New Head Teacher TAS: Chris introduced new Head Teacher TAS, Steve Delaney. He discussed his background in design and engineering. Steve gave a presentation about the Aeronautical Challenge and displayed some cars used in the Velocity competition.
- School Uniform: Chris discussed the possibility of school scarves and brought two along to show the P&C, a blue and a maroon scarf. Discussion around price. P&C voted on endorsing scarves as part of School Uniform. Moved: Kerry Pedersen, Accepted: Kaye Dent
- Duke of Edinburgh presentation: Chris spoke about an audio-visual presentation in the Kerryn McCann gymnasium on Monday night. The presentation was by the Gold “Duke of Edinburgh” students who recently returned from completing the Larapinta trail in Northern Territory. Teachers, students and their families were invited for supper and the presentation. The short film had been created by Jack Thompson Gardiner. Chris commented on what a lovely evening it was and how wonderful to watch the video presentation was on the big screen.
- Improvements to school: Chris reported that the toilets in the hall have recently been painted, mirrors replaced, mould cleaned off the walls and beams. This is the beginning of a gradual improvement of the hall and the school grounds. Several trees need to be trimmed, pruned or removed. Recently a large limb fell down after the strong winds. Currently looking at paying an arborist for their expert advice. Discussion around P&C end of year donation being towards a specific project rather than to general requests. Agreed that P&C would donate $1000 towards a School Improvement Project at end of year, with the
view to increase this if funds available. Moved Sue: Cragg, Seconded: Lyn Falkiner

- **Attendance**: Letters have been sent home to families where students have been absent for 10 days or more.
- **POP**: Parent Online payment is now up and running and can be accessed through the school website. This has been successful, with an increase in more families paying their school contributions.
- **Teacher Parent Interviews**: Successful use of online bookings for parent teacher interviews for senior students recently. Trialling this for junior student interviews. Some minor issues to still be sorted.
- **School Plan**: Chris showed a power point presentation on the new School Plan, outlining the Consultation Process; the Community Focus; the Accountability aspect and the 3 Strategic Directions.

Accepted: Sharon Pember, Seconded: Jennifer Coote

**Deputy Principals report: Mr Chris Neave**

- **NAPLAN**: The NAPLAN assessments have been on this week for all Year 7 and 9 students. Chris explained that whilst it took considerable organisation and time by teachers and the executive to set up and run, the data gained contributed towards the funding the school received. Chris stressed the importance of all students completing these as the data was very beneficial for the school.
- **Student Safety**: Chris reported that the police had been in touch with school in the region due to recent incidents of strangers approaching school students. There had also been a report of a trespasser on school grounds seen near the bike racks and seen trying doors to rooms. Need for parents to report any suspicious presence of people on school grounds.
- **P&C document**: Chris tabled a draft document outlining the role of the P&C to be included on the school website. Barbara Brown to review and report back.
- **Weather**: The recent heavy winds have caused some damage to trees around the school with falling limbs but thankfully minimal damage to the school.

Accepted: Michele Bateman Seconded: Kaye Dent

**Deputy Principals report: Ms Robyn Lang**

- **Achieving Personal best**: As part of this project, Robyn showed an example of a School Report folder, with the idea that if students were given their reports in a presentation folder they would value the report more. Robyn explained that Year Advisors would be able to include Commendation certificates in the folders for those students who have achieved their personal best. Discussion around cost of the folders and the P&C contributing. To gain the best price, Robyn explained that we would need to order 4000 folders. It was agreed that if P&C had the
funds, we would contribute $1000 towards the cost of the folders. It was agreed that if we had more funds we would add to this sum. Lyn Falkiner agreed to research alternative printing costs.

Moved: Kaye Dent Seconded: Kerry Pedersen

- **Scientists in Schools**: Bulli High School has been part of the Scientists in School program since 2007, an initiative through University of Wollongong Science faculty. This year, with the support of Professor Michael Lerch, 8 students and 2 staff members are travelling to Switzerland to see the Hadron Collider. The Large Hadron Collider (LHC) is the world’s largest and most powerful particle accelerator. It first started up on 10 September 2008, and remains the latest addition to CERN’s accelerator complex. The LHC consists of a 27-kilometre ring of superconducting magnets. Robyn described the evolution of this exciting excursion and how it has finally been approved. The group will travel to Bern in Switzerland to visit Einstein’s house, then onto Prague to attend a Science Conference. The project has received excellent media coverage, being reported in the Illawarra Mercury, on ABC radio and on WIN news.

Accepted: Kerry Pedersen Seconded: Lyn Falkiner

**Correspondence In: Jennifer Coote**

- IMB Environment Account, change of signatures. Agreed that Barbara Brown as new President was now a signatory on this account, with Chris Gregory School Principal and Lyn Falkiner, Canteen manager.

Moved: Jennifer Coote Seconded: Sharon Pember

- IMB Account Statement
- Westpac letter re: Deposit discrepancy
- Felton Industries brochure
- Entertainment book advertising
- P&C Magazines
- Media Release from Federation of P&C Association

Accepted: Sue Cragg, Seconded: Michelle Rafferty

**Treasurers report: Sharon Pember**

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**Deposits**

- P&C Membership: $45.00
- Year 7 BBQ: $382.50
- Interest: $3.91

Sharon reported that $2400 had been donated to the school.

Accepted: Vicki Hawken Seconded: Barbara Brown
Uniform Shop Report: Kerry Pedersen

February 2015
Westpac Community Solutions Cheque Account
Balance at 31.1.15 $46,629.83
Deposits $ 7,718.00
Expenses $26,251.95
Balance at 28.02.15 $28,095.88

Westpac Community Solutions Cash Reserves
Balance at 31.1.15 $ 50.70
Interest $ 0.06
Balance at 28.2.15 $ 50.76

Commonwealth Cheque Account
Balance at 31.1.15 $ 86.96
Interest $ 0.07
Balance at 28.2.15 $ 87.03

March 2015
Westpac Community Solutions Cheque Account
Balance at 28.2.15 $28,095.88
Deposits $ 2,785.31
Expenses $30,200.16
Balance at 31.03.15 $ 681.03

Westpac Community Solutions Cash Reserves
Balance at 28.2.15 $ 50.76
Interest $ 0.06
Balance at 31.3.15 $ 50.82

Commonwealth Cheque Account
Balance at 28.2.15 $ 87.03
Interest $ 0.05
Balance at 31.3.15 $ 87.08

April 2015
Westpac Community Solutions Cheque Account
Balance at 31.3.15 $ 681.03
Deposits $11,475.00
Expenses $ 7,808.77
Balance at 30.4.15 $ 4,347.26

Westpac Community Solutions Cash Reserves
Balance at 31.3.15 $ 50.82
Interest $ 0.06
Balance at 30.4.15 $ 50.88
Commonwealth Cheque Account
Balance at 31.3.15 $ 87.08
Interest $ 0.06
Balance at 30.4.15 $ 87.14

Accepted: Jennifer Coote, Seconded: Kaye Dent

Canteen Report: Lyn Falkiner
Working Account
Opening Balance as at 1.4.15 $ 28755.13
Credits $ 14743.20
Debits $ 13398.39
Closing Balance as at 30.4.15 $ 30099.94

Accepted: Kaye Dent Seconded: Sharon Pember

General Business

- Letter to Bunning’s Wollongong to request a BBQ date. Secretary agreed to write and send this.
- School Musical organisation, discussion about a raffle. Sharon Pember agreed to research getting a hamper donated. If not Vicki Hawken agreed to organise one. Agreed that tickets would be $1. Cupcakes needed. Enews and Facebook to advertise help needed. Roster of helpers
  - Wednesday night Sue, Kaye, Jenny
  - Friday night Vicki, Kerry, Lyn
  - Saturday night Barbara, need to ask for more help
- Parking issue in staff car-park, concerns for student safety, with some members of the community and some senior students parking in car park. Executive to address the problem.
- Books to auditor after 16th May, thanks Lyn for organising.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 10th June 7pm
Meeting Closed 9pm

Jennifer Coote
Secretary