

NURIOOTPA HIGH SCHOOL GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Thursday 14th May 2015

In the LOTE Centre at 7:00 pm

Present: Jeannette Hanckel, Linda Smith, Neil White, Jo Bartsch, SRC: Josh Norton and Regan Lambert, Luke Rothe, Brenton Wildman, Annie Pomeroy, Peter Shute, Ann-Marie Ward, Anne Barclay.

Apologies: Kim Dawes, April Hoffman, Karen Underwood, Rachel Koehne, Kristin Wohlers, Helen Kalleske.

Minutes Accepted: Amendment Vintage festival fundraiser – money raised \$300 (not \$3000)
Moved J Hanckel seconded A Pomeroy - Carried

Business Arising: The wasps were moved on from under the stairwell
Uniform Review report – A Barclay & A Ward

- Recommended to reduce range and colours
- Colour recommended is navy, with colours on all polo top collars to be the same
- Introduce hoodie, keep long sleeve polo and woollen jumper, delete half zip windcheater
- Recommend straight leg jean style pant for boys
- Delete cargo pants
- PE Polo Gold and navy
- Colour of dress to be changed
- Have recommended using several clothing company's
- Uniform shop to be run by the school

Moved A Barclay that the school go ahead with ordering the new navy hoodie. Carried.

FINANCE:

- The following financial reports for March 2014 were presented to the Finance Committee today for review and discussion.

- Canteen Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet
- NHS Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet

Governing Council Report – yet to be analysed – will be presented at next GC meeting.

Motion: the above reports were accepted at Finance Committee meeting today and recommended for approval and signature at tonight's GC meeting. Moved: Luke Rothe Seconded: Linda Smith Carried

- Purchase of Clavinova and Keyboard was approved via Curriculum Submission process 2014. Faculty and Curriculum Submission contributing \$1,652.68 balance of \$3,000 to be paid from Reserve – Pianos.

Motion: the Governing Council approve the payment of \$3,000 for Clavinova and Keyboard from Reserve – Pianos.

Moved: Jeannette Hanckel Seconded: Linda Smith Carried

- Outstanding Material and Services charges for 2014: 48 Debtors will be forwarded to Central Debt Collection.

Motion: the Governing Council approve the Materials & Services charges debts relating to 2014 to be pursued through the DECD Central Debt Collection Process. Request form to be signed by GC Chairperson and Principal.

Moved: Annie Pomeroy Secoded: Luke Rothe Carried

- Bad Debts
Motion: that Governing Council approves 15 bad debts totalling \$3,428.55 to be written off as per the DECD Bad Debt Policy Guidelines. Moved: Linda Smith Secoded: Annie Pomeroy Carried
- Debt Recovery Policy
**Motion: that Governing Council approve the Debt Recovery Policy
Moved: Linda Smith Secoded: Annie Pomeroy Carried**
- Canteen Staff Contracts
**Motion: that Governing Council approves the contracts for Bev Mattner and Fiona Baldwin
Moved: Luke Rothe Secoded: Jeannette Hanckel Carried**
- Audit – excellent result – two minor reporting things were highlighted. Also Fundraising and Unexpected Revenue: only needs to be reported to GC twice a year – not at every meeting. Will be reported at July and December meetings.

FACILITIES

- Area outside Resource Centre – planter box was removed, has been re-paved and bench seating and plants will be installed
- Science Lab – increase in classes – new science bench has been installed
- Science Staff office area – created at northern end of double storey building
- Uniform shop relocated into Student Services Area
- Boys & Girls toilets were re-painted in Open Space area
- Trees in courtyard deemed high risk to facilities – one has been removed (closest to Building 35). We are looking at a 2 year replacement plan for the removal of the other trees in the area so they are not all removed at the same time.

WH&S: Nothing to report

Reports/Committees

Chairperson: Successful Vintage Festival Breakfast with thanks to students who helped. Brenton Wildman to send a vote of thanks to Kristin Wohlers for organising this fundraiser.

Principal: **School events**

Knock out sport, Vintage festival fundraiser, Outdoor Ed camp, Pedal Prix (2 x 3rd positions!!) excursions and Yr. 12 mentoring have all been aspects of the first 3 weeks. Students continue to take advantage of the wide range of activities on offer.

Parent interviews

Interviews were conducted last week. Many parents took advantage of the opportunity to discuss their child's progress. The staff will be reviewing our reporting and assessment process next week. Some suggestions regarding a change in format will be discussed. Feedback is always welcome.

Practicum teachers

We have had 3 pre service teachers in the school this term. They are all enjoying their experience and comment on the supportive and welcoming staff and the many positive and enthusiastic students in the school.

ANZAC Day commemoration

We enjoyed an excellent ANZAC assembly on the last day of term. Staff students and invited guests heard from Emily Hicks about her research and investigation into a soldier from the Barossa Valley and her trip to Gallipoli. It was a very respectful and impressive response from all involved.

Drug education

We have recently had some incidents of drug use at the school. All situations are treated very seriously with consequences applied. Our process includes SAPOL involvement and exclusion from school. We have started a targeted education and intervention program to ensure all students have access to information and understand the consequences of involvement.

Website

Development continues on our website. This has been a long process but we are finally close to its launch. We hope it will be more engaging and user friendly with opportunities to access information about administration procedures and student activities.

Musical

Rehearsals and preparations for the musical, Hairspray, are in full swing. Students and staff are dedicating many hours of work to make the production a high quality and entertaining show for all ages. Tickets are now on sale. Please encourage friends and family to book early and avoid disappointment. A rehearsal will be conducted this Sunday during open Day.

NAPLAN

Tests were conducted this week with some catch up classes tomorrow. Students have undertaken the tests in a positive manner and appear to have managed the situation very well. Plans are underway to have all tests conducted electronically in the future which will speed up the release of results.

ILC

The independent Learning Centre continues to develop very well. Students recently received their first round of reports and the results were very encouraging. We are involved in a state wide project to develop a model of best practice for the development of a Learning Centre which is an indication of the great work being done.

SRC: Donating \$500 to Heartkids SA in memory of Ike. Pink stakes day fundraiser.

Canteen: Have not met.

Buildings & Grounds: Have not met. New pathway installed in front of school.

Uniform: Have not met.

Curriculum: Have not met.

General Business:

- Open Day BBQ - to be held Sunday 17th May 2015 at 12.30pm
A number of GC volunteers have offered to help
Sausage & onion on bread \$2.50, 2 sausages on bread \$3.50, cans of drink \$2, Coffee \$2.
- Sponsorship for state selection – GC to consider sponsorship for state selected students. Neil White to supply an application form. All in favour.
- Co-op fundraising Event – Customers of Foodland to donate money tokens to go to the school.
- Fundraising dinner event – Meal of Roast, vegies and a desert, sell red/white wine, beer and soft drinks available. Located in wine centre. Capped at 120. Fundraising - Silent Auction etc. Look at making this an annual event. Form a fundraising sub committee to organise this fundraiser. Date to be confirmed.

- Specialist school opportunity – offer from department to be funded with \$50,000 as a specialist school. Positive Education – focuses on specific skills that assist students to strengthen their relationships, build positive emotions, enhance personal resilience. VIA classification of character strengths and resilience.

Motion: that the school pursue funding for Positive Education.

Moved: Annie Pomeroy Seconded : Luke Rothe

Correspondence: Nil.

MEETING CLOSED 9.05pm