

# NURIOOTPA HIGH SCHOOL GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2017

In the LOTE Centre at 7:00 pm

**Present:** Brenton Wildman, Jeannette Hanckel, Luke Rothe, Jo Bartsch, Linda Smith, Michael Rosenzweig, Halena Frick, Gavin Day, Tarnya Eggleton, Sharyne Young, Neil White, Ann-Marie Ward, Peter Shute, SRC Liaison Teacher: Balin Powardy SRC Reps: Isabella Eddowes, Whatu Gleeson, Mitchell Gebert, Pastoral Care Worker: Rose Hegarty

**Apologies:** Karen Underwood, Melinda Atyeo

Brenton opened the meeting.

Neil took us on a tour through the upgraded Student Support/wellbeing area, Resource Centre and upstairs classrooms. He noted the new seating outside the resource centre with shading to come and the removal of the fence between the staff room and classrooms and the changes in the Senior Open Space area, along with the installation of the cold water taps in the yard.

**Pastoral Care Worker:** Rose Hegarty introduced herself as the new Pastoral Care Worker at the school. Rose is working on Monday's and Thursday afternoons. In her first week Rose was busy attending a number of meetings at school with staff and students. The Pastoral Care Programme is funded by the National School Chaplaincy Federal funding along with over 300 schools in SA. Rose's role is to support the school in a safe and inclusive working environment. To listen and support staff, students and families, as well as being involved in community engagement and supporting programmes outside the classroom.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016 accepted as correct.

Moved: Jeanette Hanckel

Seconded: Tarnya Eggleton

**Business Arising:** There was no business arising from the previous minutes

The Draft Budget 2017 was given to Finance Committee members for perusal and will be discussed at length at the next Finance Committee Meeting and to be presented to next GC meeting.

A Uniform Shop Analysis 2016 will be available for next meeting Finance and Governing Council meetings. Week 0 Shop Uniform Shop was set up in Library and took \$32,000 positive feedback from families worked re location in Library.

Barossa Comes Home (end of Vintage Parade) – school has been asked if we would like to run a Wine Stall on Saturday 22 April on the Nuriootpa Oval. Governing Council might like to run a Coffee/Cake stall. Ann-Marie to forward further information to GC members.

**WH&S:** Nothing to report

## **General Business:**

- New finish time on Monday – Neil White asked for feedback on the new finish time on Monday's, with the response being positive. He said the Professional learning sessions were very productive and useful for teachers. Implementing the bus runs on the first Monday was a logistical challenge. The school has organised for most students to leave on early buses, except for 50 students who are supervised while waiting.
- There will still be two student free days held during the year.

- Meningococcal B immunisations (swabs) – the school has registered with the ‘B Part of It’ campaign to encourage students to have immunisations.

## Reports/Committees:

**Chairperson:** Brendon has received letters of thanks from students who received awards.

**Principal:** Presented by Neil White

- Start of the Year - Enrolment for 2017 is 1043. 83 students in FLO and 39 students in the Disability Unit. Facilities development as viewed tonight. Resource Centre Upgrade, Student Support/wellbeing area, shade and seating, new cold water taps, Upstairs rooms, Oval resurfacing and Open Space.
- Monday professional Learning sessions – Providing opportunities for development at whole staff, faculty and specialist area development. Provided 3 extra buses to cater for all but 50 students to be transported home at the early time.
- Staffing – 7 new teachers and 4 SSO. Sam Eccles and Sarah Afshin Pour join us as Coordinators. 3 new instrumental Music Teachers.
- SACE results – Emilie Hanckel (98.1) and Matthew Schultz (95.8) were duxes for 2016. Maddie Hegarty won a Governor’s award. 93% SACE completion and above state average for higher level VET completion. VET was above state average for involvement in Certificates 2 & 3.
- AGM – The AGM will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017. Please consider re-nominating if your two year term is up. Notices to go out to families, encouraging them to come along.

**SRC:** Presented by the SRC reps – refer to tabled report

Our new SRC reps are Isabella Eddowes, Whatu Gleeson and Mitchell Gebert.

- The SCR have had a busy start to 2017, with 26 members in the group. They have created four focus groups to accommodate the ever-growing community of Nuriootpa High School. School Pride focusing on increasing student involvement in school activities. Wellbeing with the aim to further implement a safe environment for both staff and students at school. Facilities & Uniform who have the intention to continue improving the school facilities and Sustainability with a main goal of making our school as a collective more sustainable in many different ways. The SRC are currently preparing for the first casual day this year and the upcoming Sports Day where they will run a food stall.

**Canteen:** No report, have not met

**Buildings & Grounds:** No report, have not met

**Uniform:** No report, have not met

**Fundraising:** Neil advised that there have been initial conversations with staff regarding the format of the Fundraising Dinner this year. The staff are looking at holding a supper/finger food event towards the end of Term 2. Jeanette mentioned that we should consider the upcoming Musical when setting a date for the event, by not having them too close together.

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**MEETING CLOSED** 8.50pm