QUAKERS HILL EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 17 MAY 2011

PRESENT: Marketa Bird, Mel Betts, Christine Black, Charu Bm, Murali, Cheryl Brown, Alice Byers, Sheridan Caple, Joanne Fickel, Linda Glenn, Gavin Glenn, Rebecca Kennedy, Roslyn Morrall, Belinda Narby, Karren Parsons, Eric Penman, Terri Rochester, Colin Ross, Tanya Stephen

APOLOGIES: Karen Baillache, Danielle Boarer, Mairwyn Curtis, Davinia Davis, Gillian Dickson, Rachel Jackson, Adam Joliffe, Heny Kusnadi, Kellie Mitton, Jo Squillace, Sue Taylor, Kylie Troughton, Bronwyn Tyson, Janeane Vaughan

MEETING COMMENCED: 7.30 pm                              CHAIRPERSON: Rebecca Kennedy

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:
Accepted by Rebecca Kennedy and seconded by Gavin Glenn.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:
• Thank you to the teachers for the timely and smooth running of the Mothers’ Day Stall.
• Naplan testing went well.

CORRESPONDENCE INCOMING:
• Most of the incoming correspondence was for donations.

TREASURER’S REPORT:
• Balance for the General account at 30 April 2011 was $24,775 and the Uniform account was $21,657.
• Total funds available $46,432.
• Rachel will need to ask the Accountant about tax invoices for the uniform shop and the education tax deduction for uniform purchases.
• Treasurer’s report accepted by Gavin Glenn and seconded by Rebecca Kennedy.

UNIFORM REPORT:
• Total sales of $5,300 for March and April.
• Obsolete stock will be sold at discounted prices.
• The review of uniform pricing was accepted by Rebecca and seconded by Gavin, the new prices will be implemented in Term 3.
• Note in newsletter about price changes to several items of uniform.
• Starter and orientation packs will be reviewed for the next meeting.

FUNDRAISING:
• Thank you to all the volunteers for the Election BBQ and Mothers’ Day stall, two very successful events. We raised $2,073 from the BBQ and after $1,216 from the Mothers’ Day stall.
• Bushwhazee - Presented findings on cost price for hot dogs, however the committee decided to decline the meal option so the parents could be more involved in the presentation.
• Fathers’ Day - Most suppliers have increased prices, some as much as 20%. The committee decided to investigate previous years’ gifts in storage before they decide on budget or price increase.
• Spring Car Boot Sale - Proposed dates were mentioned for 5th or 12th November (both Saturdays). Committee advised that an expression of interest would need to be sent out in September to determine if there is enough interest in this event. At this stage, no dates have been set.
• Trivia Night – A fundraising meeting is required before the next P&C meeting due to the number of items to discuss and a summary will be presented to the P&C.
PRINCIPALS REPORT:
- Congratulations on the Election Day BBQ and the Mothers’ Day Stall. Thank you to Sheridan whose organisation was great.
- Mrs Miriam Oliver has accepted a permanent position at a private school. Hopefully, Miss Amanda Smith will remain on 3I for the remainder of the year.
- Mrs Sue Brogden will return from long service leave next Wednesday.
- Years 3 and 5 sat the NAPLAN Tests last week. We only had one student (from 191) absent.
- This Friday is the last day to apply for online applications for the Year 5 OC Class in 2012.
- The Ridges Zone Cross Country Carnival will be held this Friday, May 20 at Paterson Reserve.
- Friday, May 20 is Walk Safely to School Day, highlighting active kids are healthy kids, pedestrian safety and the need to reduce pollution.
- Next Wednesday we are conducting the Stage 2 and Stage 3 finals of the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition. One student from each stage will represent our school at the District level on June 22, 2011.
- BER Recognition Ceremony is to be held on Wednesday July 20 at 10:30am.
- We have been informed that we are in round 3 for the installation of Smartboards, hopefully this will be in Term 4.
- Parent courses conducted to date are assisting students with literacy and the Multilit Reading Program. What future courses – literacy, numeracy Stage 2 and 3, cybersafety, technology (SmartBoards).
- Michael Grose’s Parenting Ideas Magazine will accompany this week’s newsletter.

Coming events –

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Marketa Bird
Principal

GENERAL BUSINESS:
- The Smartboards will be here by the end of the year, the government has allocated funds.
- Colin Ross is arranging quotes for resurfacing the multipurpose court and reversible goals and possibly widening the Tamarind Drive gate.
- Rebecca will contact the RTA, Police department and local government about employing a crossing guard.
- There will not be a Facebook page for the school.

MEETING CLOSED: 9.05pm
MINUTE TAKER: Karren Parsons

NEXT MEETING: 7.30pm Tuesday, June 21