Quakers Hill Easy Public School P&C Association

Minutes of meetings held on Tuesday 19th March 2013

Present: Tanya Stephan, Janeane Vaughan, Belinda Narbey, Haylee Spencer, Joanne Fickel, Colin Ross, Marketa Bird, Alice Bullivant, Caryn Olson, Usha Varam, Rachel Jackson, Karren Parsons, Gavin Glenn, Linda Glenn, Trina Lea, Roslyn Morrall

Apologies: Tanya Stephan, Rachel Jackson, Karen Barber, Terri Rochester, Cheryl Brown, Sue Taylor

Meeting commenced: 8:05pm  Chairperson: Gavin Glenn

Minutes of previous meeting:
- Accepted by Karren Parsons and seconded by Alice Bullivant.

Business arising from previous meeting:
- Uniform update/ price of changes of items mentioned at last meeting. Post Pone to next meeting to find out more information from Sue.
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Correspondence:
- Incoming: fundraising articles/ letters etc. P&C Journals arrived (handed out at meeting).
- Outgoing: Alice Bullivant sent some emails re: fundraising ideas

Treasure’s report: (As of 19th Feb, 2013)
- Balance of General Account $14 877.28
- Balance of Uniform Account $21 074.57
- Total cash available as of $35 951.85
- Accepted by Trina Lea and seconded by Belinda Narbey.

Uniform report:
- Nil
Principals report:

- See attached.
- Discussed writing a letter to council about the safety at our pedestrian crossings, especially the one on Chase Drive. Requesting for a ‘lolly-pop’ person and use resent incident of a student been hit by a car as a strong reason. Trina Lea will draft a letter and send to Gavin to “sign off” on behalf of P&C.

Fundraising:

- **Plan for 2013:**
  - Term 1/2: Entertainment books (Karren to co-ordinate)
  - Term 2: Mother’s Day (Jo co-ordinate)
  - Term 2 (end): Cookie Dough fundraiser (Jo to co-ordinate)
  - Term 3: Father’s Day stall
  - Term 3: BBQ/Election day/Mini Fun fair- TBC Saturday 14\textsuperscript{th} September
  - Term 4- TBC. Possibly a “Christmas theme fundraiser”

- **Mother’s Day** items (8 choices) will be given TO SRC to vote on top 6. Tuesday 7\textsuperscript{th} May will be mother’s day stall, Jo Fickel will co-ordinate and Janeane Vaughan offered to assist.
- **Fun Day** (election BBQ): all members to think of some ideas to brainstorm at next meeting (in May).
- **Bunning’s BBQ**: Alice reported no luck getting up the list or securing a spot at the moment.
- **Change website to current “fundraising goal” on P&C page.** Colin Ross to follow up.

- **Possible fundraising goals for 2013 (as suggested by Colin Ross):**
  - Using exciting $10 000 in school account that P&C gave last year for school funds. Replace laptop trolley (approximately $14 000). New projector in new demountable (approximately $3000). This will be voted on at next meeting (due to the constitution rules on voting for expending large amounts must be rolled over to future meeting for vote). Colin will also follow up on extract prices.
  - Matheletics. Does the school want this as a possible option??? Also would the P&C fund this??? Approximate cost $5000 +++ each year. Colin will follow up with arrange a consultant to come and visit a future P&C meeting to fully explain Matheletics program.
  - **Expansion/ solar power to decrease electricity bill.** As of next year DEC will no longer reimburse schools that go over the electricity budget. Colin to follow up.
  - IPAD/IPOD (approximately holds 8 each). $3800 approximately.
  - Members of the P&C asked about the installation coming out of the Top COLA. Colin said it was very expensive to fix, though would follow up.
  - Ros suggested speakers for outdoor assembly, extra-large (parent/ street sign) for chase drive entrance, or LEC signs.
- Marketa suggested putting in the newsletter that at our next meeting we will vote on future fundraising goals.

Other Business:
- Smart Board demonstrations for new P&C members at future P&C meeting.
- Ros raised concerns if visitors such as “Grandparents day” are reminded about Anaphylaxis student needs (such as no nuts, eggs etc.). Colin will put in next newsletter.

Meeting Closed: 9:25pm  
Minute taker: Joanne Fickel

Next meeting: Tuesday 21st May, 2013. At 8pm (after the “Little Steps” presentation).
Ms Peita Rothery has commenced her maternity leave from 18 March. Her replacement is Miss Joylene Le Couteur as class teacher. Mr David England is relieving as Assistant Principal and will supervise of Stage 1.

Mrs Amanda Smit has been successful in gaining a permanent appointment from the beginning of Term 2.

Mr Scott Staveley has successfully gained the position of Deputy Principal at Metella Road Public School from Term 2.

The new demountable classroom will be officially handed over next Tuesday.

New lease agreement has commenced this year for QHE Combined OSHC. Vacation care will be available. Currently 111 students are enrolled. There are a few vacancies, both AM and PM. Their next meeting is their AGM on Thursday March 28 2013 at 6:30pm.

Parent/Teacher interviews will be conducted from Tuesday April 2. Invitations were sent home. Parents should receive their appointment times later this week.

The next P&C meeting, on May 21 will commence at 8pm as we have booked a parents’ anxiety program, – Little Steps 6:30 to 8pm which will be conducted in the Library. The program will be provided for staff on one of the school development days. An offer has been made by the police to address the meeting concerning the traffic congestion at 3pm.

Please note this year two school development days have been gazette for the beginning of Term 2 for teachers to familiarise themselves with the new syllabuses. The English is to be implemented in 2014 and the mathematics in 2015.

Grandparents’ Day, the Art Show and Easter Hat Parade are to be held on Wednesday, March 27. The Easter Raffle will also be drawn on the day.

The draw for the $100 School Uniform Shop will be held on Friday 5 April 2013. The names of the families who have paid the 2013 Voluntary School Contributions will be eligible for the draw.

Recommend that the P&C write to both the Blacktown City Council and the RTA to lodge concerns about the volume of traffic using both Chase and Tamarind Drives. Monitoring of traffic could result in the appointment of a pedestrian safety officer between 8 and 9am and 2:30 and 3:30pm.

Marketa Bird