**SHORNCLIFFE STATE SCHOOL P&C GENERAL MEETING**

**Date: 12 Mar 2014**

1. **Attendance:** Cameron Boal, Luci Davey, Emma Jager, Mav Regan, Kelly Bretherton, Charm Micklewright, Marion Forbes, Kay Cleeland, Paul Bredereck, Lynne Hansen, Debby Drago, Martin Brady, Shelli Hulcombe, Ashley Bunce, Fiona Roberts, Dan Bendrys, Peter Pritchard, Claire Daly, Christy Dykes.

2. **Apologies -** Julie Englefield, Matt Smith, Blake Carlin, Michelle Patmore, Michael Hansen, Kylie Petit, Alana Clarke, Robert Davey, Brendon Hulcombe, Kodi Thompson

**Meeting opened at 8.00pm by Debby Drago**

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| 3. Ratify minutes | The minutes of the meeting held 12 Feb 2014 were tabled and confirmed as correct.                                                                                                                       | Moved: Kay Cleeland  
Seconded: Ash Bunce  
Carried                                                        |
| 4. Tuckshop Report | • Tabled.  
• It has been a great start to the year - the last 3 weeks we have taken over $1200 on each tuck shop day. This was largely due to the increased sales of ice blocks and drinks.  
• A big thanks to Mav who has been making coffee on the new machine. However the machine needs to be serviced before we can sell them. | Moved: Kay Cleeland  
Seconded: Kelly Bretherton  
Carried                                                        |
| 5. Chaplains Report | • Not available                                                                                                                                                                                            | NA                                                                  |
| 6. Business Arising |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                     |
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a) Grant Writing
- Following last month’s meeting, an advertisement went into the newsletter asking for expressions of interest for the Grant Writer. 2 expressions have been received.
- The P&C received a letter from a concerned parent relating to this matter. The parent was worried about the direction taken to pay P&C volunteers. In essence, the parent believed a) the community orientated spirit would be compromised by paying volunteers; b) placing monetary value on any voluntary positions will create an inequity; c) professional people often lend their assistance (eg working bees) and are not paid; and d) they would like the position to remain voluntary.
- Although there has been a precedence of paying positions in the P&C (uniform shop, tuckshop, OHSC) it was generally felt that a voluntary role would be preferred.
- The current grant writer informed the meeting that if there was strong opposition she would be happy to continue for the short term only and handover. She identified her experience in grant writing and felt that charging a success fee was reasonable. It was suggested that another volunteer could be taught the skills of Grant Writing thus keeping skills within the school community.
- Concern was raised that the decision was made at the last meeting but the matter was once again being discussed.
- Ultimately, it was agreed the motion (below) is giving the Exec the ability to make the decision on the way to go forward and if they feel necessary, to bring any issues back to a general meeting.
- The proposed motion:

The P&C Executive will review applications for the Grant Writer and will make a decision based on the following criteria:

1. the best possible outcome for the school is obtained;
2. a voluntary role is preferred but if not it will only consider applications that are on a ‘success fee’ basis;
3. the successful person has a demonstrated history of success and experience in grant writing;
4. the successful person has a close/intimate association with the school.

Moved:
Martyn Brady
Seconded:
Mav Regan
Carried

7.OHSC report
- Tabled.
- The Average usage for the month was BSC 40; ASC 48; Families 99; Children 150.
- OSHC has donated new large sporting soft-fall mats for athletics use. They will arrive mid-March.
- A large number of families have made payments since the online statements are being emailed.
- Vacation Care bookings open on 17 March at 7am for working families. Parents may phone or come into the service to make the bookings. Working families have 2 day priorities before non-working families can book.

Moved:
Paul Bredereck
Seconded:
Emma Jager
Carried

8. President’s report
- Not available - reported at the AGM.
### 9. Principal’s report
Cameron reported on the following:
- The working bee was held on 9 March and it was very successful - thank you to all parents and helpers.
- Results for 2013 Naplan have been published on the My School website - the great results have led to numerous telephone enquiries about enrolments. Cameron reminded the meeting there is an Enrolment Management Plan and only 50 prep children will be accepted in 2015.
- The ICT evening was a huge success and Cameron thanked June for her efforts.
- A cross country will be held on the weekend and approximately 60 children will be attending - thanks were given to Peter Donnelly.
- Year 6/7 camp will be held next Monday at Noosa.
- The Lifesaving carnival at Suttons Beach will incorporate the biathlon. This will be for years 4-7.
- The Footsteps disco will be held for the entire school. Debby to confirm whether Tegan is happy to assist with catering and arrangements.
- The Easter Bonnet Parade is being driven by students which is fantastic.
- Parent Interviews will be held this term.

### Moved:
Cameron Boal
Seconded: Kay Cleeland
Carried

### 10. Treasurer’s report
- Tabled.
- Net profits are: Tuckshop $1,299 OSCH $6,225 Uniform $841 Fundraising Nil.
- Uniform shop - the jackets are not selling and the new executive was asked to consider whether they should be stocked in future.

### Executive/Agora
- Not available.
- The draft 2014 dates for Fundraising activities was given to members.
- Dates will be discussed at the next meeting when the newly appointed Fundraising Officer can attend.
- Mav stated that she has started purchasing gifts for the Mother’s Day stall and boxes will be placed in classrooms shortly.
- Debby identified new initiatives - Mother’s Day High Tea for prep mothers; hot cross bun drive.

### 12. General Business:
- ICT Reference Group
  - Nil update.
b) Traffic Congestion on Yundah St

- A concerned parent wrote to the P&C about the traffic congestion at Yundah St/Pier Avenue.
- St Pat’s have recently changed their school hours to align with the train timetable and this has resulted in excessive congestion.
- Concern was raised by a number of members about the safety of children in this area.
- A number of suggestions were made including a) moving the lollipop person to the corner; b) put in a zebra crossing; c) more signage for parking/yellow lines; d) police monitor speeding motorists; e) change school times; f) parents supervise crossings on a roster basis.
- The Transport department and Council are responsible for a number of these initiatives which has resulted in slow responses in the past and a lack of confidence in future improvements.
- The school has tried to change the start/finish times previously however this was not successful.
- The previous President informed the meeting a letter had been written to Victoria Newton last year however no real improvements were offered.
- It was generally agreed the only option within School control was the start/finishing times. It was noted that consultation would be needed with St Pat’s, and all relevant stakeholders including the parent body to get their support.
- The Executive will proceed down this path and will formulate an action plan and process at their next meeting. This item will be brought to the general meeting for ongoing feedback. A detailed plan will be available in Term 2.

Executive/Agenda

Moved: Debby Drago
Seconded: Kay Cleeland

Newsletter

13. Correspondence

- Email from parent re Paid grant writer - discussed above.
- Email from parent re traffic congestion on Yundah St - discussed above.

14. Ratify new members

Nil.

15. Closed at 9.24pm.

Next Meeting – 2 April 2014 at 6.30 for 7pm start.
Minutes endorsed as true and correct:

President’s Signature: ________________________________

President Name: ________________________________

Dated: ________________________________