ENFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL
P&C MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday 25 November 2015
Time: 7:30pm
Venue: Staff room, Enfield Public School

In attendance: Jen Black, Sam Pearce, Karen Griffiths, Maggie Baker, Rick Daly, Ande Kelly, Ingrid Turner, Elizabeth Robinson, Christelle Ramundo, Michelle Stanhope, Karen Craigie, Susan Strmecki

Apologies: Ali Matheson, Jodi Joyce, Andrew Pearce, Emma Perrott

1. Opening of meeting
   Ali Matheson was an apology. The meeting was chaired by Michelle Stanhope.

2. Acceptance of previous minutes, apologies and correspondence
   Minutes accepted by Karen Griffiths, seconded Karen Craigie.

3. Action items from last meeting
   Maria Leiva has uploaded her recent powerpoint presentation to the South Strathfield High School website.

4. Approval of expenditure
   - School classroom donations of $200 per class and $100 for support teachers (up to $3,000) $200 per class x 12 classes, plus library, ESL, learning and support teacher plus one additional teacher – P&C agreed to spend up to $3k
   - Mother’s day stalls 2016 (up to $1,000) Agreed by P&C
   - Back to school disco term 1, 2016 (up to $1,000) Agreed by P&C

5. Treasurers report
   Balance as at 25 November 2015 is $21,495.56, also holding $1500 cash for Gala float.

6. Uniform shop report
   • $10 - $15k needed in kitty for the uniform shop.
   • October sales were $5,386, November sales were $2,100. Figures almost identical to last year.
   • Thanks to Sean who has been great helping out with figures, there is now a much better system in place.
   • Thanks also to Jesse and Emma for all the assistance they provided during the year.
   • Ande has agreed to help out next year.
   • Uniform shop closes on 8 December 2016.
• Boys PSSA soccer uniforms need to be replaced. The cost is $50 for the kit including embroidery. Approximately 15 uniforms are needed for each team (one junior and one senior). A total of 30 uniforms would be required at a cost of $1500.
• Girls PSSA netball team do not have uniforms. Cost of a netball dress for girls (with bib included) is $70. Other schools don’t have netball uniforms.
• Uniforms would be owned by the school and returned by students at the end of the term.
• Early next year is a good time to consider the proposal to purchase PSSA uniforms as this coincides with the uniform shop stocktake.

Action: Mr Daly will talk to Mr Wilson about the issue of the soccer uniforms.
Action: Colour is to be confirmed and the issue of PSSA uniforms will be discussed and voted on at the February 2016 P&C meeting

7. Principals report
• It’s been a very busy term. Today was the last day of the Mindfullness Program.
• Next year there will be a ‘Sports in School’ program (Gymnastics) run in Term 1.
• Possibility of trying Mindfullness again in Term 2.
• 2016 – there are currently 51 Kindergarten children enrolled, approximately 289 students in total which is a similar number to this year.
• Student free day on Wednesday 27 January. Children will return to school on Thursday 28 January 2016, Kindergarten on Friday 29 January 2016.
• There is currently an online survey to assess the level of interest in establishing an EPS Facebook page.

8. Fundraising report
• Thanks to Christelle and Liz for assisting with the Pudding orders - $750 in sales.
• Gala Night is next big event. People have been generous in providing assistance and running food stalls.
• Jodi McKay has confirmed that we will be receiving a $15,000 grant which will be used to upgrade the playground equipment.
• Karen will be running a BBQ over the Christmas/New Year period and has put together a calendar of events for the first half of next year. The flyer will be ready for early next year.
• The recent Halloween Disco raised $2,100.
• A really big thank you to the school community for assisting with all the events and pitching in to help out.
• Thanks to Karen for coordinating events.

9. Garden club report
• We received a grant from Strathfield Council of $600 to continue with our Stories in the Garden project next year. Thank you to Karen C. for all her work on the successful grant application.
Cooking With Kerry ran on 6 November (Fruit recognition and buttermilk pancakes) with 25 and again on 24 November (Vegetable recognition and zucchini fritters served with minted yoghurt) for 2A. We are on track with our spending on the CWK grant with the program due to run (with the funding) to 30 June 2016.

Garden Club hosted our 6th anniversary long lunch on Sunday, 22 November. We were entertained by two talented musicians from South Strathfield HS, Chakra and Dour. The Garden Club contributed to gift vouchers to the students. We enjoyed food from many different cultures including Korea, India, Malaysia, France and Japan, not to mention lamb cooked in the pizza oven and an assortment of delicious baked goods.

Our chook minding roster went out to Garden Club members on 24.11.15 to ensure the girls are well cared for during the break. The girls have done well this term – egg sales have totaled $280 ($180 banked and $100 retained by the office for purchase of food for the holidays).

Garden Club and 2015 kindy parents co-hosted a morning tea in the garden on 31 October 2015 for next year’s kindy parents.

We received a very generous donation of advanced seedlings from the El Badar Family, which have been planted in our vegie patches.

Fridays in the Garden continues each Friday from 8:30am until school bell.

There will be a Garden Club stall at Gala Night

10. Presidents report
    Apologies from Ali. She has passed on her thanks and gratitude to the P&C for their efforts this year.

11. Other business

11a. Pest control
    It has been noticed that there are quite a lot of rat droppings near the chicken coop and cockroaches in the canteen area. The school is sprayed with low level pesticide about four times a year. Pest control is currently being arranged.

11b. P&C Treasurer
    Karen’s last meeting as a P&C parent and an incoming Treasurer is yet to be identified. Sam has investigated what happens in these situations and there are no barriers to Karen retaining this role until the AGM next year. This would ensure that banking and other financials are managed until 2017. The P&C expressed their gratitude and thanked Karen for her contribution as treasurer. Rick thanked Karen on behalf of the school community.

Meeting closed