

APS school council meeting minutes

1. Attendees: Andrea Noble(chair), Pippa Hooper, Stephen Murray, Deanne Rolland, Georgia Kidman, Teresa Daly, Deidre Jones, Tony Puls, Darren Kay, Christie Huggins(minutes), late arrival - Paul Nielsen, Brian Lee.

No apologies.

Agenda: confirmed by council. Meeting rescheduled from Monday 22nd February to today to ensure quorum.

2. Minutes: previous meeting 30 November 2015 confirmed as true and accurate - accepted by BL and seconded by CH.

Action arising:

- Induction pack: Council read through 1st draft of FAQs, still needs some more information including processes such as elections - cross referenced with the constitution.
- Request for a copy of the constitution to also be placed on the school council APS webpage.
- Classroom numbering and map: BL and Kathryn organising this with a local company, taking longer than expected.

BL and admin

3. Finance and Principal's report

2016 Budget tabled for approval by council:

- General discussion on specific items including: use of the reserve account which contains monies allocated for long term items (itemised on monthly updates); professional learning funds now contained within the salary component of the budget; and government ruling that no more than 4% of budget can be carried over between years.
- Voluntary contributions were up last year from the previous year. Will ask P&C to include this on booklist for next year.
- Council approved 2016 budget on provision that all items are included - some data is on the monthly update (viewed by all attendees today) but not entered into the budget yet.

BL

5. General business

- School council elections: outgoing teachers - DJ and PH
2016 P&C rep - outgoing GK, incoming Peter Bockman (PB)
parents completed 2 year term - CH, DK, PN
- Call for parent nominations to go into APS newsletter and P&C fb page. Parents who've completed 2 yr term can re-nominate.

BL and GK/PB

5. General business cont.

- At Friday assemblies can the merit certificates be handed out first so parents can watch and still make it to work? BL advised there was a fixed guideline that teachers were to follow - welcome to country, lower school merit certificates, entertainment, upper school certificates, other business. Goal is for it to start on time and take no more than 20-30 mins.

BL / DJ to remind staff

- How will arts be celebrated this year? BL advised there is not going to be an arts night this year. There is a Yr 6 camp, going to do a bigger NAIDOC celebration, there is a Yr 5/6 choir and a year 4 choir, want to support the P&C 'wave' installation which is being supported by local artist Serena McLaughlin, and BL is meeting with Yr 6 teachers to look at what might be done specifically with the Yr6s.
DR offered parent help if required, from the Yr6 parents.

6. Next meeting

- Monday 21st March 2016 at 3:30pm (Week 8). This will be an afternoon meeting due to another school meeting conflicting with the evening time slot.