



PARENTS AND FRIENDS' ASSOCIATION


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MINUTES Meeting on Monday 15 May at 5:30pm Bovell Meeting Room

1. MEETING OPENED, PRAYER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Prayer

Lord God,

During this meeting help us to be guided by your Spirit. May we be wise in our discernment, balanced in our judgment and fair in our decisions. Though we may, at times, have differing views, may we listen to one another and be guided by our common goals. May we always be mindful in our words and actions of what is best for all children in our school.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the traditional owners of this land both past and present. This land is the home of the Noongar people. We are standing now on Wardandi country the place of the dolphin dreaming. The Wardandi people are the coastal people and have strong links to this area. With respect to the current Wardandi people and ancestors of the past we thank them for accepting us. Today with mutual respect and understanding we acknowledge the past and its differences and now look forward to working together to build strong relations.

2. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Present - Stacey Harrison, Ginny Southwell, Naomi Milner, Crissi Kappes, Matthew O'Brien, Kathy Chiera, Kelly Walsh, Naeem Khan

Apologies - Leanne Abas, Jess Allan, Sarah Beaton, Rachel Lanagan, Lee Dabic, Rita Barbour, Michelle Baker (her Teams not working)

Fiona Florence resignation

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes 27 March 2023 – note 6 D should be IB not IBL

Moved: K Walsh Seconded: N Milner

4. BUSINESS ARISING

4.1 Year 11/12 Ball Parent Event report - 29 tickets on Monday, estimated 40, ended up with 58 so ended up making \$540, which will be donated to Year 12 Dinner. Consider new venue for next year.

4.2 Coffee van Training complete Crissi, Fiona, Jess, and Naomi. Thanks to Tanya Dale. Created account with Bunbury Coffee. Coffee machine just been serviced \$1000.

4.3 Crazy socks – not proceeding

4.4 Cross Country - Monday 22nd May - Zooper doopers are in P & F shed. Scissors, Black marker pen, Esky, Ice, Starts at 12 so pickup before then. 638 students... 624 zooper doopers. Jess, Naomi to assist Crissi

4.5 Mothers' Day Breakfast – 100 rsvp, thanks to Crissi for shopping and male staff members who. Look at options for next year. \$305 raffle and final tally not completed.



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5. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Received

Yale Bolto - levy increase acceptance
Matthew O'Brien - 4th tree top pod – waiting on concreters
Resignation Merchandise Officer - Jodie
Email from Fiona Florence - resignation

B. Sent

Yale Bolto - levy increase

6. REPORTS

- A. Head of Primary – Rob Whirlledge (Attached) – spoke to cultural events, and also mentioned Dean Darryl Cotton great job filling in eucharist
- B. Head of Secondary – Kathy Chiera (Attached) – spoke to report
- C. Treasurer – Sarah Beaton (Attached) – Stacey spoke to this. General merchandise chat.
- D. Board – Rachel Lanagan – In Rachel's absence, Matthew O'Brien provided a verbal report, noting that Simon Jacob stepped down as Chair of the Board after 23 years' service; Maria Cavallo was appointed the new Chair and three new members were welcomed.

7. AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Colour Run Sub-committee – Friday 1 December... hay bales, plastic, pool noodles, water pistols. Decision for prizes or can donate. Email to go out at the beginning of term 3. Ask Gravity.
- B. Resin Workshop (Stacey) scheduled for term 3
- C. Yoga sound workshop (Kelly) – Sonja not available so will follow up with Kerry
- D. Painting workshop (Stacey) - not yet scheduled
- E. Merchandise/ other promotion – new committee member required
- F. Hutton wines fundraiser (Stacey) – not yet progressed. Matthew spoke to seminar soup series to resume looking at one of these have the presales/sales

8. FUNDING APPLICATIONS

A. Funding Application #141

Support pproposal in principle, great idea and good to do something for boarding. Recommendation is that approve the lighthouse walk component of \$1400 and decline to fund speakers at this point. Request promotion of P & F. Chat regarding speakers. Motion passed. Correspondence to go out and request that presentation of program from students in term 4.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

- A. Meeting start time could it be 5pm for General meeting. Note that 1 hour. Put out to committee members. Mention that Teams available. Next newsletter call for someone to do Merchandise.
- B. Stacey again spoke to succession planning in preparation for AGM in September. Propose to do survey to gauge feedback.

Next Meeting: Monday, 19th June 2023 at 5:30pm



Head of Primary Report to Parents and Friends' Association

15 May 2023

Staffing:

- Florencia Levy will be teaching French for Pre-primary to Year 3 until the end of the year. She speaks several languages and also works at Bunbury Primary teaching Italian.
- Geoff Dunbar has returned from LSL.
- We continue to seek a new chaplain.

P&F Events:

Mother's Day Breakfast was a welcoming and warm event and those that attended had a wonderful time. Weather was perfect... many thanks to the P&F for overseeing this function.

Curriculum:

- Year 5/6 Maths Olympiad and Year 3/4 Maths Explorer events are all underway and are being overseen by Rachel Cook.
- The Year 5/Year 6 Science and Engineering Challenge took place at Leschenault Leisure Centre on Thursday, 4 May. A great day for those students involved.
- Students from Upper Primary represented the School at the da Vinci Decathlon in Perth on Monday, 8 May. It was a challenging and long day, but the students had a great time. There were over 20 schools competing and BCGS placed 10th.

Camps Sport and Carnivals:

- The Year 3 and Year 4 camps take place this term. Due to the closure of Bridgetown Camp School, Year 3 head to Pemberton and Year 4 will travel to Dryandra for the first time. This links well into our boarding catchment in the wheatbelt around Narrogin.
- The Whole School Cross-Country takes place on Monday of Week 5.
- Swimming Lessons take place in Weeks 7 and 8.
- Sports options commenced last week with a choice of Teen Gym, Hip Hop Dancing, Mountain Biking and Gymnastics. Thanks to Geoff Dunbar for organising these opportunities.

First Nations' Initiatives:

- The Year 5 students attended BCC for the Wardandi Gift event; a cultural day, attended by a number of primary schools, seeking to celebrate different First Nations cultures and language groups.
- On Thursday, 11 May, the Early Childhood team hosted a smoking ceremony. This was overseen by Rosie Frain and Jayne Lincoln with the smoking ceremony conducted by First Nations Elder, Ernie Hill.
- This morning, Josh Whiteland from Koomal Dreaming was with the Year 4 cohort sharing a variety of Indigenous bush experiences around the fire pit on Palmer Oval.

ANZAC Day:

The School was represented in both Bunbury and Busselton, with a healthy number of students in Bunbury and a smaller group in Busselton. Many thanks to those who attended and braved the wet conditions.

Chapel:

Thank you again to Dean Darryl Cotton who will be taking our Primary Eucharist services this term.

Health:

Skin checks and flu jabs have been made available to staff this term.

Up and Coming Events for the term:

22 May	Cross Country	6 - 16 June	In-term swimming lessons
23 and 24 May	Bonifacian Photos	8 June	SWPSA Winter Carnival
30 May	Young Writers Year 6	8 June	Annual Giving Day
31 May - 2 June	Year 3 Camp	27 - 30 June	Year 4 Camp

Robert Whirledge
Head of Primary



Head of Secondary's Report to Parents and Friends' Association General Meeting, Monday, 15 May 2023

Staffing

I am sad to report that Mr Jonathan Evans has tendered his resignation for health reasons, and we are now recruiting for a HASS teacher with a specialty in Economics.

We are also currently recruiting for contract positions to cover Ms Amy Brown and Ms Temily Green who will both be on Parental Leave from early in Term 3.

The School Farm

We were delighted to announce the new School Farm late last week. This exciting opportunity for the School to develop a working farm with a suite of courses and activities for students of all ages is also an opportunity for our School community to contribute as we build this new venture.

Year 9 Outdoor Education Camp

Our intrepid Year 9 students headed to Karridale for their Outdoor Adventure Camp during Week 2 this term. The weather was kind and students were engaged in a range of activities including high ropes, walking, rock climbing and canoeing. Students camped out and cooked for themselves on fires and Trangia's (small gas stoves). A thank you to all the staff who made the camp possible and well done to our student participants who took part enthusiastically.

Academic Talent Development Activities

On Tuesday, 2 May 2023 a group of students for Years 7, 8, and 10 attended the Science and Engineering Challenge at Leschenault. Students were asked to complete a series of engineering challenges including construction and electrical work. Each challenge was assessed by local Engineers, and we were delighted to be announced as the winners of the event. Congratulations to our team, who were younger than many others, as our Year 9 students were on camp that week.

DaVinci Decathlon

On Tuesday, 9 May a team of Year 7 and Year 8 students travelled to Perth to take part in the DaVinci Decathlon. Our team came third in two sections Art and Poetry for Year 8 and Creative Producers for Year 7, which was a significant achievement as they were competing in a very large field of around 30 schools.

International Ethics Olympiad

A small group of Year 11 students took part in the first International Ethics Olympiad last week. Our students contributed to ethical discussion with international schools which was a good experience for these students.

Social Activities

Towards the end of Term 1 our students enjoyed a number of social activities. The Year 8 social was held at the Busselton Par 3 Golf course and the majority of the year group attended, dressed in appropriate golfing attire and ready to tackle the course! An inaugural 'Green Jacket' was awarded to the winner of the event!



The 2023 Student Executive Ball was held on the final Saturday of Term 1 and was a glittering affair! Our students presented and behaved impeccably, and I am confident that the photographs have been enjoyed by many!

I was incredibly proud of the students who attended the Anzac Day Parade in Bunbury at the start of the term. It was a very wet occasion, but the School Akubra's kept us a little drier as we braved the weather to represent BCGS at this important occasion. Many of our Parents (who acted as umbrella holders!) walked with us which made it particularly special.

Coming up:

- Elevate Education have been in school today working with our Year 9 students to support the development of their study skills.
- Pathway Planning is about to start for Year 10 students and their parents. This important part of the course selection process. All Year 10 students and their parents are encouraged to book an appointment in the coming two weeks.
- Year 12 Camp will take place on Thursday, 16 and Friday 17 May, straight after the Year 12 Semester 1 Examinations have concluded. The camp takes place at Nanga Bush Camp.
- On Monday, 22 May we will hold the Whole School Cross Country and on campus.
- Tuesday and Wednesday, 23 and 24 May the Bonifacian Photographs will be taken.

Kathy Chiera

Mrs Kathy Chiera | Head of Secondary

Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School Balance Sheet
as at 15 May 2023

Money on hand

Cheque account	\$	67,264.38
Debit Card	\$	271.55
Total Funds	\$	67,535.93

Funds Available	\$	17,535.93
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Funds plus future income	\$	45,035.93
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Funds less possible commitments	\$	45,035.93
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Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School P&F Income and Commitments
as at 15 May 2023

Commitments Approved	Balance	Due
Funding for music dept	\$ 50,000.00	Dec-22
BCGS invoice fix up	\$ 1,856.13	Mar-23
	\$ 50,000.00	

Future income		
Term 1 uniform shop	\$10,000	Apr-23
2023 memberships	\$17,500	May-23
TOTAL	\$ 27,500.00	

Current Commitments Not Yet Approved		
TOTAL	\$ -	