

**Quakers Hill East Public School P&C Association**

**Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 15th May 2017**

Present: Michele Hedge, Karren Parsons, Haylee Spencer, Scott Fisk, Madhavi Shakarling, Nic Lennie, Jo Fickel

Apologies: Alice Bullivant,

Meeting commenced: 7:00pm

Chairperson: Jo Fickel

- General welcome.

Minutes of previous meeting:

- To be accepted at September meeting

Business arising from previous meeting:

Correspondence:

Incoming:

Outgoing:

Treasurer's report: As at 14<sup>th</sup> August 2017

Balance of General Account \$12,093.82

- Balance of Uniform Account \$19744.81
- Total cash available month end \$31838.63
  
- Accepted by unknown and seconded by unknown
  
- Father's Day Stall raised approx. \$1000, tbc next meeting

Uniform report:

- Haylee showed new concept for sports shirt
- Agreement to new shirt concept
- Michele Hedge to investigate process to change uniform

## Principals report:

### QUAKERS HILL EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

#### P&C PRINCIPAL'S REPORT- 14 August 2017

- **Staff Update** – Mrs Pearce is on leave for the next five weeks and a new teacher to our school Mrs Smith will be teaching in the support role. Ms Wong will be on leave from 21 August to 15 September and Mrs Dickerson and Mrs Weinert will be teaching 5/6W during this time. Mrs Clissold will be on leave from 24 August until 1 September and then be Relieving Deputy Principal for the remainder of the term. Mrs Partington will be teaching 2C during this time. I will be on leave from 4 September until the end of term and Mr Fisk will be relieving as Principal.
- **New Buildings** – We have been in ongoing discussions around the new building to ensure that it will meet both the Department of Education objectives of future focussed learning and the needs of QHEPS students and staff. We will also have an upgrade to our administration block.
- **Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking** – Ben Joliffe will be representing QHEPS on 24 August.
- **New App** – we are encouraging as many parents as possible to use the App. Please pass the word around. Feedback very positive
- **Education Week Open Day** - It was great to see all of the families here last week for our Open Day. We had beautiful weather and the chance to picnic around the school in the sunshine during lunch and a very relaxed time in the classrooms sharing in some of the learning activities.
- **QHEPS Showcase** - Classes had been preparing for the Showcase since Term 1 as part of the Creative and Performing Arts program and without a doubt, this wonderful demonstration of creativity, enthusiasm and musical talent was truly spectacular. I had many parents take the time to stop and comment on how much they enjoyed the show and wanted me to thank the teachers for all of their hard work.
- Events such as this don't happen without the support of many people so it's important to say thank you to the following:
  - Quakers Hill High School, Mrs Claus and Mrs Maricic for allowing us to use the hall and to various QHHS staff members Ms La Chevre, Mr Dacey, Mr Cole, Ms Willmetts for their assistance with the set-up, lighting and sound and the QHHS student volunteers.
  - The dedicated QHEPS staff who have been working tirelessly in the background, thank you for your commitment to ensuring this wonderful opportunity for all students.
  - The Showcase team and Mrs Taylor and Mrs Hayhow thank you for sharing your knowledge and expertise in the performing arts and assisting with the task of coordinating such a large event. We couldn't have made it to the performance night without you!
  - All of our amazing students for their enthusiasm, energy and razzle dazzle which made the QHEPS Showcase such a spectacular event.
  - To parents, grandparents, carers, friends and community members, thank you for supporting us as we showcased the talents of all students and their dedicated teachers!
- **Education Week Performances Westpoint Blacktown** - The Stage 1 and the Stage 3 Dance groups performed beautifully at Westpoint Blacktown on Tuesday 1 August. We were all very proud of them!
- **Blacktown Festival of Performing Arts** - Students in the 3-6 choir and the Boys Hip Hop group will be performing on Monday evening, 21 August in The Blacktown Festival of Performing Arts at Wyndham College hall. The children have spent many hours of their own time practising to ensure they are perfect. I'd like to acknowledge the work of Mrs Rubino and Ms Ferreira who have led the choir and Mrs Hayhow and Ms Ferreira who have prepared the Hip Hop group. We look forward to another wonderful musical evening!

- **Book Week** - Book Week is celebrated every year and this year it is being held from 21 to 25 August. The theme this year is '**Escape to Everywhere**'. To celebrate Book Week at QHEPS Mrs Sparks and Mrs Campbell are making the library ready for this special week. Students are reading books that have been short listed for awards from the Children's Book Council of Australia. We look forward to a great week escaping to new worlds! Please note we will be holding a Book Character Parade to celebrate both Book Week and Literacy and Numeracy Week on Friday 8 September. More details on the parade will follow.
- **Hills Public Speaking Competition** – A number of students have entered this school competition and will compete at school for a place in the area final on 31 August
- **Prosperitas Program** - A number of students in Year 6 have been working with student mentors from Quakers Hill High School to develop individualised projects. This Thursday the students will display their final presentations at the high school. Mr Fisk, Mrs Talintyre, and I will there to celebrate the successful completion of their projects.
- **Debating** – The QHEPS Debating Team is undefeated and will be competing in the semi-final on 7 September
- **K-2 Athletics Carnival** – This will be held on 5 September at Waite Reserve
- **Kindergarten Enrolments 2018** - Enrolment forms are now available for children starting Kindergarten in 2018.

## Upcoming dates

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| • 17 August    | Prosperitas presentations                     |
| • 21 August    | Blacktown Festival of Performing Arts Evening |
| • 23 August    | SUMMIT Program Cupcake Day                    |
| • 24 August    | Hills Public Speaking Competition             |
| • 28 August    | Literacy and Numeracy Week                    |
| • 28 August    | Kindergarten Farm Excursion                   |
| • 29 August    | Wanderers Cup Soccer Tournament               |
| • 31 August    | Hills Public Speaking Competition             |
| • 1 September  | Zone Athletics Carnival                       |
| • 4 September  | Stage 2 Excursion                             |
| • 6 September  | Stage 2 Excursion                             |
| • 8 September  | Book Character Parade                         |
| • 12 September | QHHS Musical                                  |

## Fundraising:

## General Business:

- Michele Hedge to arrange cyber bullying talk

Meeting Closed: 7.35pm

Minute taker: Karren Parsons

Next meeting: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017, at 7:00pm.