

## 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022 SSC Balmain P&C Meeting Minutes. #2 2022

Attendance	
P&C Committee	Nicole Swanson (NS), Rebecca Iliffe (RI), Clare Donnellan (CD), Carrie Grimes (CG), Sandra Harris (SH), David Newton (DN), Kathryn Reynolds (KR), Kim Bachelor (KB)
P&C Members	Liam Papadopoulos, Jess Thompson, Alison Hall, Andrew Hinde, Emma, Kerry, Katrina Rowland / Leen van Gent, Gavin Daly, Slakey, Carina Hall, Graham, Tiffany Zehnal, Claudette Railston, Belinda Daly, Graham Parker, Liam Reid
School & College Executive	Ingrid Koodrin (IK), Thomas Catalanotto (TC)
Apologies	College Principal Ian Bowsher (IB)
Venue	Zoom Online 6.30pm

6:27pm NS called the meeting to order.

Past Meeting Minutes	Acceptance of March 29th 2022 meeting minutes moved by RI, seconded by CG
Business arising from Minutes	<p><b>Bathroom Reno-:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update in Principals report.</li> <li>Committee previously approved \$23k for reno to start last year.</li> </ul> <p><b>Coffee Cart-:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Further information on the coffee cart provided.</li> <li>The request is <u>not</u> for ongoing materials (e.g milk, beans, etc). Its expected the cart will turn a small profit and sufficient funds to cover costs</li> <li>The initiative is looking to partner with the Rozelle Neighbourhood Centre, through Belinda and Gavin Daly who are opening a social enterprise café at the end of the year. Marco DeAngelis (ex-owner of Our Place restaurant / Balmain) is coordinating this.</li> <li>IK is excited to partner with the community on this.</li> <li>RI spoke of the positive benefits of this including skills development, social interactions, cash/tap handling, etc</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion-: Approved</b> by member vote, <b>up to \$7,000</b> funding</p> <p><b>Breakfast Club-:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Run 2 mornings a week by Sue.</li> <li>Provides a safe, collegiate, social environment for students</li> <li>Request at last meeting for approval</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion-: Moved</b> by CG, second NS. <b>Approval</b> of breakfast club for \$499</p>
School Principal's Update (IK)	Our School Principal's report can be <a href="#">accessed here</a> . Summary of the key topics below-:

- Introduced & welcomed Jessica Thompson, new CAPA teacher. Jess spoke enthusiastically about her plans for CAPA, potentially including live performances.
- New school counsellor on board. Last term only had a p/t counsellor for the whole school for the term.
- Covid settings have changed, significantly close contact rules

#### Property

- Balmain campus selected as part of Metro uplift program, internet speed will increase from 1gn to 10gb. Significant benefits for performance
- Solar panel project ( aircon for cooler classrooms) is on hold waiting for a shutdown date from Ausgrid

**Action-:** IK seeking support from P&C to lobby/advocate with Ausgrid for fixture of date

#### Bathroom upgrade

- Community Building Partnership Grant Phase 1 (P&C funded \$23,500), contractor has been approved. Request is awaiting approval from DoE Assets group to progress/commence.
- CG noted P&C still have funding available for another of the bathrooms. Progress is be considered in Phase 2 funding (next round of CBPG grant applications)

#### Space

- Due to T centre, the school needs 2 more learning spaces/demountables. One has been approved & sourced, but with floods and installation skills in short supply, expected delivery is end of T2

#### School hall

- With the size of the student population now, the school hall can no longer accommodate all 4 stages, nor is it appropriate for school functions.
- A new hall would require significant investment, > \$1m/\$1.5m. Funding would largely need to come from grant programs.
- Very early stages yet, IK has contacted DoE Assets for tender for an architecture plan.
- IK will revert to P&C to support active grant lobbying for a grant of this size.

**ACTION-:** P&C will also contact federation & other P&C to see how they have approached funding for this kind of investment, particularly where the is also a community use/benefit of the asset

#### NAPLAN

- now 100% online. Has put the technology infrastructure under significant pressure

#### Yr10 Ski trip

- This year's camp will be the last for Balmain campus for a number of reasons.
  - expensive & not inclusive
  - largely recreational and no curriculum basis for it
  - DoE advice is too high risk.
- School is actively researching an alternative Yr10 activity which is more inclusive.

<p>College Principal's Update (IB)</p>	<p>Our College Principal's report can be <a href="#">accessed here</a>. Report taken as read and no discussion as IB was an apology</p>
<p>President's Report (NS)</p>	<p>The President's report can be <a href="#">accessed here</a>. Highlights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Re the second hand uniform shop IK wanted to thank Pickles for their generous donations</li> <li>● Safety. School has been registered with the council for the school safety program. The council will provide the school with a road safety audit.</li> <li>● The BSC P&amp;C provided a letter of support to Leichhardt P&amp;C for a grant application for a new bus that would benefit students at all SSC campuses.</li> </ul>
<p>Treasurer's Report (RI)</p>	<p>The Treasurer's report can be <a href="#">accessed here</a>. Highlight: Recent receipt of CBPG of \$23k (for toilet upgrade) brings cash balance to \$85k <b>Motion</b> to accept report: Moved by RI, seconded by DN</p> <p><b>Small grants program</b> The small grants program is a P&amp;C initiative, providing up to \$500, for a student led request, for student led projects which have school &amp; community benefits. The P&amp;C has received a request from students at the T centre for a social enterprise program, which is a 10 week wellbeing program. The funding request is to help finance business ideas and prototypes to create social enterprises in the T Centre i.e. seed capital \$500 for 3 projects. <b>Motion</b> to support request. Proposed by CD, Seconded by DN</p>
<p>New Business</p>	<p><b>Letter of support for Skate Park</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● P&amp;C recommend a letter of support (to Council/Mayor Darcy &amp; local Member Jamie Parker) in support of the Skate park at Lilyfield Note:- the P&amp;C community supports the letter. The committee were advised subsequent to this meeting, that park was approved by IWC</li> </ul> <p><b>Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● With a 'return to normal'/post covid, the committee are keen to support a return to P&amp;C led events (social, fundraising or both).</li> <li>● Suggestions include             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Trivia night</li> <li>○ Band night. P&amp;C has an 'iou' for local band 'Grateful Dads'</li> </ul> </li> <li>● The committee will continue the discussion offline and in conjunction with the school to pursue an event that aligns with the school's calendar and agenda</li> </ul>
<p>Correspondence In/Out</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Nil to note</li> </ul>

7.30pm NS closed the meeting

**Next General Meeting:** Tuesday 14th June, 6.30pm. Zoom.